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Late votes, late count – wrong ballot papers

Acting returning officer 'regrets' things went wrong

BY JESSICA CUNNIFFE

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THE Electoral Commission is investigating the city's election chaos after voters were left queueing for hours at polling stations.

The body is questioning 16 returning officers from the 650 UK constituencies, including Milton Keynes North, about how they dealt with the evening surge in voting.

The Parliamentary and local elections on Thursday were further blighted by ballot paper mix-ups in Newport Pagnell and 200 Milton Keynes postal votes ending up in Coventry.

The problems led to delays in the count, with the two MPs, Tories Mark Lancaster and Iain Stewart, not being announced until nearly 8am on Friday.

Acting returning officer for both constituencies John Moffoot, who originally predicted a 5am finish, said he 'regrets the things that did go wrong'.

An interim report will be published by the Electoral Commission next week, partly looking at why queues built up in several of the city's 120 polling stations.

Council leader Sam Crooks said an internal council enquiry will also take place.

Though Mr Moffoot insists everyone got to vote, he had to push back the 10pm deadline by 15 minutes.

He hurried to Wyvern School in Wolverton after reports of queues, finding what voters described as a 'heated' situation.

At 9pm officials told one voter that she may not get to vote and she estimates 150 people were still waiting after 10pm.

She said: "You don't expect to have to wait an hour to vote and nearly lose your chance to. They needed to be much better prepared."

Earlier that day, for around three hours, voters at the Green Park Community Centre were given ballot papers for the wrong wards.

Around 300 people voted for Newport Pagnell North councillors when they should have voted for Newport Pagnell South candidates, and vice versa.

After the mistake was noticed, all were invited to recast their votes, of which half did.

The Liberal Democrat majorities were large enough for this not to affect the outcome, though Mr Moffoot said aggrieved candidates can file an election petition.

Large evening queues were also reported at this polling station, as well as in Great Linford.

Meanwhile a council worker was dispatched to Coventry when it was discovered 200 Milton Keynes postal votes where at their sorting office.

The setbacks caused delays at stadiummk, where the formal count of the Parliamentary election ballots did not start until 4.18am.

The Constitutional Renewal and Governance Act dictates it should start by 2am therefore Mr Moffoot must explain to the Electoral Commission why this did not happen.

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Not a dance, but drama in the ballroom

MK NORTH

Elected: Mark Lancaster

Mark Lancaster is congratulated by Labour's Andrew Pakes

Above: Acting returning Officer John Moffoot keeps an eye on the time
Top left: And still they come: More ballot papers pour in to be counted
Left: Green candidate Katrina Deacon

Election night woes

From front page

He called it the 'most intense' election the city has ever seen.

It was the first time since 1979 that both local and general were held on the same day.

Turnout rose to 65.8 per cent in Milton Keynes North and 64.2 per cent in Milton Keynes South, compared to an average of 62.78 per cent in 2005.

Mr Moffoot said: "Given the size of the operation we did OK. I regret the things that did go wrong, but an awful lot of things did go right – 100,000 people got to vote.

"There are always lessons to be learnt. This is our most intense election as it was Parliamentary and borough, therefore more lessons will be learnt.

"It was a long night but these things are important to get these things right, to be accurate rather than speedy. As far as I'm concerned the pressure is to get the right result."

Mark Lancaster MP said on the night: "It's been a slow count. It's always difficult counting two at once. Lessons should be learnt."

Jill Hope, the Lib Dem contesting him, added: "I don't think it's good enough. People having to wait so long at polling stations. And at the count people were sitting around not doing anything. It's not fair on the staff and the activists."

Cllr Crooks said: "No results were affected by what happened. But there are obviously lessons we have to learn. The returning officer needs to get the next few days over and once that's done we will have an internal enquiry to see how we can get it done better next time."

An Electoral Commission spokesman said: "The reports of queues are quite a serious concern. Our review, that will look at Milton Keynes and other places specifically, will be published next week."

at stadiummk on national election night

MK SOUTH

Elected: Iain Stewart

A rueful Phyllis Starkey looks on as Iain Stewart makes his acceptance speech

Late, late show goes on and on

BY JESSICA CUNNIFFE
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IT was not dance but drama taking place in stadiummk's Ballroom on Thursday night when 120 counters set to work.

As ballot boxes came in after the polls closed at 10pm, they verified the papers, overseen by rosetted politicians and agents who were making tallies and speculating results.

'It's a Tory win for both,' campaigners were muttering as early as 1am, and the Lib Dem hopeful for Milton Keynes North, Jill Hope, said she already knew she had not won.

Meanwhile as the reality of a hung Parliament unfolded nationally, there was little for candidates to do but hang around.

As the formal count did not start until 4.18am, candidates crowded around plasma screens to watch the fate of other constituencies.

By 7am returning officer John Moffoot called the agents and candidates into a huddle, with roars of laughter as they looked over the 84 spoilt ballot papers.

Katrina Deacon, Green candidate, was amused to have been dubbed a 'hippy' on one.

The Lib Dems' Peter Jones rolled his eyes and Phyllis Starkey exhaled at the wait, but the results for Milton Keynes South were finally read out by Mayor Euan Henderson.

Iain Stewart, fighting his third election, achieved a majority of 5,201, representing a 6.2 per cent swing from Labour to the Tories.

In his victory speech he paid tribute to Dr Starkey adding: "This one has been a long time in coming but it makes victory even more the sweeter."

Straight after his victory he told MK NEWS: "I'm delighted, I'm exhausted, I'm exhilarated and itching to get started serving the people of Milton Keynes."

Dr Starkey spoke about her 13 years representing Milton Keynes South West and the 'huge benefits' brought by Labour.

She told MK NEWS: "I'm obviously disappointed but the result has to be looked at in the national context...Milton Keynes has been an amazing place to represent, it's unlike any other place."

Half an hour later the candidates for Milton Keynes North were called forward.

Conservative Mark Lancaster was returned as the new MP for Milton Keynes North, beating Labour rival Andrew Pakes by a clear majority of 8,961.

Mr Lancaster, whose newly-formed constituency was notionally Labour, celebrated a massive swing of 9.2 per cent.

He told MK NEWS: "I think people do want change, the change we're offering in Milton Keynes if we form a government."

Mr Pakes said: "It has been a fantastic election for Milton Keynes, and great to see an increase in turnout."

Several of the minor parties did not even stay to hear their results.

The only person with a grin to rival Mr Stewart and Mr Lancaster was Matt 'Bananamatt' Fensome.

Dressed in a banana suit, the Monster Raving Loony Party candidate paced the floor, quietly cheering to himself when he realised he had got more than 100 votes and would be reimbursed his £500 deposit by William Hill.

He said: "I think I'm one of the Loony candidates with the most votes. I'm relieved because I had put the deposit on my credit card."

Results in full for Milton Keynes

SOUTH

Katrina Deacon (Green) 774
Peter Jones (Liberal Democrat) 9876
Suzanne Nti (Christian Peoples Alliance) 245
Philip Pinto (UK Independence Party) 2074
Phyllis Starkey (Labour) 17833
Iain Stewart (Conservative) 23034
Matthew Tait (British National Party) 1502
Jonathan Worth (Nationwide Reform Party) 84

NORTH

Matt Fensome (Monster Raving Loony Party) 157
Alan Francis (Green) 733
Richard Hamilton (British National Party) 1,154
Jill Hope (Liberal Democrat) 11,894
Mark Lancaster (Conservative) 23,419
John Lennon (Christian Peoples Alliance) 206
Andrew Pakes (Labour) 14,458
Michael Phillips (UK Independence Party) 1,772
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Tannoy annoy

SIR – Announcement heard on last Friday's 07.30 MK-London service: 'We're sorry for the slow running of this train. This is due to this train following a preceding train'.

Does London Midland have to train people to make such vacuous statements or do they recruit them like that?

Richard Hughes
The Green, Loughton

Beach first

SIR – Unfortunately my result in the local elections was not as good as I would have liked.

However, I wish the winner well, I did my level best but it was not to be.

I shall now concentrate on the beach project, which is now reaching an advanced stage, full time.

It has its own website: www.Rose4MK.com

Anita Rose
Church Lees, Great Linford

Thanks for votes

SIR – Can I thank, through the pages of your paper, all those in Milton Keynes South who voted for me on May 6?

I am immensely grateful for that support.

It has been a great privilege to serve as Member of Parliament for Milton Keynes since 1997 and I am proud of all that has been delivered locally by the Labour Government.

Phyllis Starkey

New mum satisfaction not 100 per cent

SIR – I have just given birth to a lovely baby girl and was surprised to read your glowing report about maternity care at MK General Hospital claiming a 100 per cent satisfaction rate.

I wonder whether the hospital made sure to only give exit surveys to those mothers who agreed beforehand to sing their praise.

My own experience started out OK and the midwife in charge of me when I entered the labour ward was excellent.

However, when she handed over to another midwife at the end of her shift in the evening, and at the time most critical to me, not only did that second midwife commit a series of unnecessary blunders about which I will be complaining to the hospital, but worst of all she acted as if the whole procedure had nothing to do with me and my partner, ignored our requests and wishes and - I am sorry to put it so bluntly - made us feel as uncomfortable as could possibly be imagined.

I am glad my baby was born healthy in spite of serious mistakes by the midwife and I elected to go home as soon as was physically possible, opting to not even spend the night at the hospital.

A contributing factor to the decision to rush home was the lack of cleanliness I encountered and that I did not want to take the risk of exposing my newborn to a potential infection that early in her life.

Tricia Isaac
Walnut Tree

No curb on cash prize if rubbish rules applied

SIR – Regarding the letter in last week's paper concerning rubbish collection.

The writer complains that as he/she lives in a close and chooses to put their refuse sacks in a communal pile, they have no chance of winning the £100 from the council. That is their choice.

The instructions to all householders is that all refuse should be left on the boundary of their property nearest the public highway.

It is an offence (and dangerous) to place your black/pink sacks, wheelie bins and bottle boxes on the public footpath.

If they obey the instructions on the sacks they will be in with a chance of picking up £100.

Name and address supplied

True architects

SIR – Make a difference at the bus station – building work is well under way at the former bus station, as described in the letter from Danny Quinn (May 28).

It was good to be mentioned as the architect for the alterations: too often the contribution of architects to exciting projects of this kind is not acknowledged.

I was described in the letter as the architect who designed the original building. But in reality, I was part of a team employed by the Development Corporation.

Derek Yeadon was the lead architect. David Hartley was responsible for the group in which we worked. Balvinder Obhi and Colin Armstrong both assisted.

My aim now, shared by Make a Difference, is to protect the qualities of the original building while converting it to very different new uses.

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Robert de Grey
The Architecture Studio, The Old Schoolhouse, Parklands, Great Linford

Bus route madness

SIR – Whoever dreamt up the new bus routes cannot possibly live in Milton Keynes or know anything about us.

Having to get two buses to get to where we all want to go is not the incentive we need to use the buses.

Its not too bad for us OAPs with free passes but for people who have to pay I know many who are getting taxis because it is so much quicker and not too bad a price instead of two bus journeys to get to where you want to go.

Nearly every journey now involves having to go all the way up to the city centre to change bus to come nearly all the way back againto get to where you want to go.

It is an absolute madness.

What a way to run a bus company. The council will never get us all on the buses like this. One example, the old trip from Stony Stratford to Two Mile Ash approximately 15 mins, the new trip about 30 mins then change buses at city centre to Two Mile Ash approximately 15 mins. So about one hour now instead of 15 minutes allowing for changeover at city centre.

It is a nightmare I bet the taxi drivers are laughing their heads off.

Doreen Warner
Mursley Court , Stony Stratford

IF envy

SIR – I read your article about the IF Festival coming to Milton Keynes this summer.

The more things like this that can happen in the city then the more envious other parts of the country become.

We already have a top class theatre and gallery, it is only a matter of time until we are named a city and now we have put ourselves into the driving seat to host World Cup matches in 2018.

This is a long way from the concrete cows and roundabout jibes that still pour forth from people who don't know Milton Keynes.

Let them get on with it and let us enjoy living in a city to proud of.

J Green
Shenley Lodge

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Cheers: Jon Matthews

The man who twice beat the bookies finally dies of cancer

TRIBUTES have poured in after the man who bet on his life lost his battle with cancer.

Last Tuesday, just 28 days before Jon Matthews was set to take home £10,000, he died.

The 60-year-old businessman from Woburn Sands became known around the world for making a £100 'novelty bet' that he would survive mesothelioma longer than anyone else.

On June 1, 2008 he did just that, netting £5,000 from William Hill, and again in June 1, 2009.

He was interviewed by people from all over the world, from Korea to America.

The ever-positive businessman told MK NEWS back in February 'I will make it, no two ways about that', when asked about reaching the final deadline of June 1, 2010.

He was planning a cruise with son Nico, who said: "There were only 28 days to go. He was saying 'I will be alright', he thought he would be alright. He was so convinced he was going to make it. But in the last couple of days the cancer grew. He was a great father, a brilliant father, good in his own way and very caring."

Twice bankrupted and thrice divorced, Jon was known for turning adversity into opportunity.

After he was diagnosed with the lung cancer he started to set up a business for terminally ill people to leave video messages after making his own.

His business partner John Nicholls said: "He was a very canny guy, and very creative. You could say he was a wheeler dealer."

Despite his debilitating disease he cared for his parents, both in their 80s.

Friend Maggi Parr said: "He had a big heart and was full of kindness and sympathy."

Kevin Hynes, who described him as fantastic, charismatic and enthusiastic, added: "He will be very sadly missed."

Letter forger gets reprieve from jail

Suspended sentence: Lee Hill

BY JESSICA CUNNIFFE

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A BLETCHLEY man who wrote a fraudulent letter claiming to be from the police has escaped prison.

Lee Hill, 38, from Buckfast Avenue claimed that a nursery worker had neglected his child to get her sacked, Milton Keynes Magistrates Court heard last March.

His six month prison sentence was suspended for 18 months and he was given 120 hours' community service.

There is also a restraining order in place to stop him contacting his victim, Elena Martuccio.

Last August Hill contacted Miss Martuccio's employer Acorn Childcare, saying that he had a court injunction against her as she had previously neglected his child.

Miss Martuccio was suspended without pay from her position as senior play worker at Abbeys Day Nursery in Bletchley while the company, which has several premises across the city, investigated.

Hill, the husband of Bletchley parish councillor Francesca Hill, then sent a letter to the company's HR administrator claiming to be from Thames Valley Police supporting his allegations.

The allegations against Miss Martuccio were proved to be completely false.

The victim, who had previously worked with the Hill family caring for their children as part of a college placement, was said to have been left 'upset and distressed'.

He was sentenced at Aylesbury Crown Court in April as magistrates decided that their sentencing powers were not sufficient.

Back in March, Zoe Raven, managing director at Acorn Childcare, which has its head office in Castlethorpe, said:

"She was innocent in all this and suffered a lot of emotional trauma.

"We were also left £5,000 out of pocket as we had to pay the salary for a member of staff that was not in work.

"I'm stunned that anyone would dare to try and forge a letter from the police."

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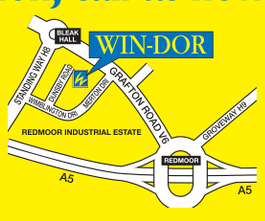

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First of wind farm turbines erected

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THE city's first wind farm has started to take shape.

The controversial turbines are being erected at Petsoe End near Emberton where workers have been preparing foundations since November last year.

The first of the seven turbines arrived from Denmark this week.

The 125m high structures will generate 38,000,000 kWh of electricity per year – enough to power 8,085 households.

The application for the farm was approved by Milton Keynes Council in December 2007.

Protest group Bucks Lacks Enough Wind (BLEW) campaigned in the appeal courts to have the council's decision quashed but their request was turned down.

A spokesman for Your Energy, the company behind the wind farm, said all seven turbines are scheduled to be in place by the end of the month.

Most loads will be transported at night or early morning to avoid traffic disruption, and a small number of street signs have been temporarily removed to allow for their arrival.

They have also supplied a £196,000 community fund.

■ You can keep track of construction progress at www.miltonkeyneswindfarm.com

The first of seven wind turbines goes up at Petsoe End

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Above: Andy Maric becomes MK's youngest ever councillor as he wins Newport Pagnell South. Right: Catriona Morris with Andrew Dransfield after hearing her ward is going to a recount. Below: Out for the count

Cleggmagic ousts Tories

BY JESSICA CUNNIFFE

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THERE were cheers and tears as shock council election results were announced at stadiummk.

In contrast to the Parliamentary vote, which saw two Tory MPs elected, three of their local counterparts were ousted by Liberal Democrats.

On Thursday residents voted on a third of Milton Keynes Council's seats.

As ballot papers were verified through the night, concern grew in the Tory ranks.

Fears were confirmed the following morning when deputy leader Catriona Morris lost her Linford South seat, despite a recount.

Colleagues David Tunney and Edward Butler-Ellis were also unseated by their Lib Dem rivals.

Their leader, Cllr Andrew Geary, said he was shocked and expected gains not losses.

As results were announced through Friday, the last one at 1.50pm, the Lib Dem roars of delight at three gains and six holds became familiar.

Twenty-year-old Andy Maric won Newport Pagnell South, making him the youngest councillor.

Labour leader Norman Miles held onto his seat, as did former council leader Isobel McCall.

The Lib Dems had boosted their membership on the council to 24, but two councillors resigned the party whip.

Mike Barry and Phil Gerrella have both cited personal and family reasons for becoming independents but will continue to vote with the group.

It means the make up of the council is now 22 Lib Dems, 17 Conservatives, nine Labour and three independents.

Turnout ranged from 52 per cent in the Campbell Park ward to and 77.3 per cent in Olney.

Cllr Maric said: "It was an astonishing majority, I was so happy to get 50 per cent of the vote. People keep saying to me you the youngest councillor ever. It's great. I'm a young councillor and it's a young city so I hope to get my views across."

Tory leader Andrew Geary said: "None of us saw this coming. I thought we would take seats. But we reflected what happened in other local authorities. People liked Nick Clegg and saw voting for the Lib Dems locally as the consolation prize.

"Catriona is the biggest loss, as deputy leader and an extremely hard working councillor. The people of Linford South will live to regret their decision. The edge was taken off the Conservative wins in Parliament by this kick in the teeth locally."

Leader of the council Sam Crooks said: "We were delighted. I think the improved result will give more stability to the council. I was very sorry about Catriona Morris and David Tunney because they were both very able and very helpful councillors. People were saying we like what you do locally so we are also going to vote for you nationally."

Elected councillors

For full results see: www.mk-news.co.uk

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Girls and ladies get invite to Dons trials

BY SIMONE CORGAN
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MK Dons are continuing to develop their ladies team by hosting open trials next month.

After establishing the Dons Ladies last summer the team finished sixth in their first season in the South East Women's Combination league and now plan to run a reserve team for the 2010/11 campaign.

As well as strengthening the first team the club will host MK Dons Girls Centre of Excellence trails from June 1-7 hoping to discover a new crop of female footballers.

Trials for under 10s, under 12s, under 14s and under 16s will be held at Woughton on the Green, Buckingham, Newport Pagnell and Leighton Buzzard.

Tony Blake recently took over as Dons Ladies manager to take the strain off player-manager Vicky Gallagher and has encouraged young players to attend even if they lack experience in the game.

He said: "Come to the trial, if we don't think you are ready for the Dons we will point you in the direction of the other local clubs – Milton Keynes Wanderers, Stony Stratford, Olney Town.

"We will point you at those clubs and introduce you to those clubs so that you can go there to get a season's experience and maybe come back to the Dons trials the following year."

Vicky Gallagher

> The girls here are treated exactly the same as a professional footballer but they don't get a wage packet
>
> – Dons Ladies manager Tony Blake

The 51-year-old from Pennyland has spent 40 years working in football and had retired from his coaching duties, only to discover the Dons' ambition to make the ladies team a force in the game was something he wanted to be involved in.

And now he believes the ladies team, which spent the first half of the season fighting for a top two finish, will benefit from the continued youth development and says they will get stronger as the years go by.

He added: "I think we're going to have a good season next season – we will have more experienced players in, we're forming a reserve side so the whole thing is going to double in size in one year.

"The family approach that the club has, along with the push to promote the ladies team, is now starting to attract attention in and around Milton Keynes.

"The girls here are treated exactly the same as a professional footballer but they don't get a wage packet."

■ For more information n the open trials, or for an application form, contact Charlene Ward on 01908 622888 or e-mail charlene.ward@mkdons.com

New life for old royal seat found in store

A ROYAL seat installed to celebrate the coronation of King George V1 and Queen Elizabeth on May 12, 1937 has been restored to its former glory.

The 1937 Coronation seat was discovered last year when workers from Milton Keynes Council were clearing out a landscape store room at Silver Street Depot, Newport Pagnell.

The seat was covered over with a sheet and when removed revealed a 12ft long bench made of oak.

The wording '1937 Coronation seat' was carved into the wooden back.

Council landscapes contract officer Tony Hunt said: "The bench was in very poor condition and needed refurbishing.

"I have had the seat repaired and wood stained, and it is now installed at Ousebank Gardens, Newport Pagnell."

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Host cities send World Cup bid books to Zurich

Dr Ann Limb, Pete Winkelman and FA chairman Lord Triesman wave off England's 2018 bid

Picture: Action Images / Henry Browne

ENGLAND'S bid for the 2018 FIFA World Cup reached a landmark moment on Monday as MK Dons' chairman Pete Winkelman helped load the final bid books on a van headed for FIFA in Zurich.

The bid book represents England's formal proposal to FIFA and sets out the country's vision for hosting the World Cup, with a designated section for each host city including Milton Keynes.

Mr Winkelman was one of 12 representatives from the 12 candidate host cities to attend the event at Wembley alongside England manager, and England 2018 vice-president Fabio Capello, bid and Football Association chairman Lord Triesman, technical director Ian Riley, and England Women's head coach and England 2018 vice-president, Hope Powell.

An England 2018 delegation will present FIFA President Sepp Blatter with his own personal copy of the bid book on Friday at FIFA House.

Dr Ann Limb, chairman of the Milton Keynes 2018 board and Mr Winkelman will be on hand to receive a copy of the bid book when it arrives at stadiummk on Friday morning. They will be joined by the Dons' mascots Mooie and Donny and children for the MK Dons sport and education trust.

Speaking about the event Dr Limb said, "We are very excited to receive a copy of England's final 2018 bid book.

"This is now the final stage in the process and puts us one step closer to hosting the World Cup Finals. All we need to do now is enjoy this summer's games, get behind England and cross our fingers."

FIFA's copies of the 1,700 plus page bid books have been sent to their technical team in Zurich via specialist security firm, G4S, which is an Official Supporter of England 2018.

Each book covers 20 technical criteria outlined by FIFA including stadia, transport, security, finance, football and social development and marketing.

The bid book was developed under the supervision of England 2018 chief executive, Andy Anson and Ian Riley.

Work on the book started in May 2009 and included an applicant host city process which involved 16 cities which were reduced to 12 at the end of last year.

A team of FIFA inspectors will then asses the case laid out in the document during an inspection visit in August before a final decision on the hosts of the 2018 and 2022 World Cups is made by FIFA in December.

The decision will be taken by the 24-member FIFA executive committee at a vote in Zurich.

Mr Riley, who held the same position with the successful South Africa 2010 bid, said: "This bid book involved the whole of English football working in partnership with the 12 candidate host cities, government, local councils, Regional Development Authorities (RDAs) and the public."

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Chicheley Hall a Grade I Georgian mansion near Newport Pagnell

Family home is turned into top science centre

A FAMILY home transformed into an international science centre is to open next month.

Exclusive launch events are planned for the Royal Society which has spent £11 million converting Chicheley Hall into a venue for meetings and events.

The UK's national academy of science has announced that the historic Grade I Georgian mansion near Newport Pagnell will serve as the Kavli Royal Society International Centre, an extension to the Royal Society's base in London.

Fellows of the society include Stephen Hawking and Richard Dawkins.

The old coach house has become two lecture theatres and the house now has four meeting rooms and 47 en-suite bedrooms.

A number of exclusive launch events will be taking place on June 16 and 17 to celebrate the opening of Chicheley Hall to the events market.

■ For more information contact Rebecca Harris on 020 7451 2611 or email Rebecca.harris@royalsociety.org

Glass found in Chinese takeaway

THE owner of Chinese takeaway has been fined after glass was found in a meal by a customer.

Hing Wo Tong, 54, of Farmer Close, Northampton and a director of Golden 888 Ltd which owned Unicorn Chinese Takeaway in Shenley Brook End, pleaded guilty on behalf of his company to a total of five counts at Milton Keynes Magistrates' Court on Friday.

An environmental health officer from the council visited the Unicorn Chinese Takeaway, following a complaint from a customer who had discovered glass in their chicken satay meal on May 30 last year.

An inspection of the premises revealed the business had failed to comply with other food safety legislative requirements.

These included failure to cool food as quickly as possible and to protect food from contamination, failure to register a change of ownership and inadequate cleaning of ventilation extraction.

In mitigation Tong said that it was entirely his responsibility and he was very sorry.

Tong received a £1,000 fine in total and Golden 888 Ltd received a £1,700 fine.

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Newspaper boss on a countrywide tour

President of The Newspaper Society visits regional publishing centres promoting a positive attitude and raising cash for charities

David Fordham with MK NEWS editor David Gale

NEWSPAPER Society president David Fordham has hit the road to take Local Newspaper Week to publishing centres across the UK.

Over ten weeks he has visited around 40 publishing centres across the length and breadth of the UK.

The chief executive of Iliffe News and Media, which publishes MK NEWS decided to undertake the tour for a number of reasons.

Crucially, cash donated by all the regional press publishers supporting the event will be given to a number of charities including the NewsTrAid Benevolent Fund.

Another key reason is his ambassadorial role as president of the NS as member companies emerge from the worst recession in living memory.

Mr Fordham said: "It's interesting to see how the different centres are coping with these changes and the different initiatives they are taking.

"What I'm trying to do is to take round a positive attitude about the future for regional press.

"You can't help but notice that there have been lots of commercial initiatives such as different ways of sales packaging the online and the print titles together.

"It's been quite time consuming making the tour around the country but it's been a fantastic way to wind up my year in office as NS president."

The visits have typically consisted of a welcome and brief introduction from the managing director of the centre before a tour of all departments.

Mr Fordham said: "I am very positive about the future of regional press and I think most of the centres are delighted to be visited by the president of the NS."

The tour has also been something of a trip down memory lane for Mr Fordham whose itinerary includes all of the centres he worked in during his near 40-year career in regional press.

He was surprised when he was greeted by staff he had worked with at the Lynne News and Advertiser 35 years ago.

His travel costs and expenses have been met by sponsors MediaForce and Clacksons so every penny of local media publisher donations will go to charity. So far over £5,000 has been pledged.

The charities Mr Fordham has chosen to benefit are the Teenage Cancer Trust, Macmillan Nurses, NewsTrAid, Cynthia Spencer Hospice (Northampton) and Press Relief.

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The Blockheads, Eddie and The Hotrods and The Godfathers top the bill at Midsummer Fayre

Reasons to be cheerful

FESTIVAL lovers have a reason to be cheerful this summer.

The first Midsummer Fayre has been announced for next month with The Blockheads, Eddie and The Hotrods and The Godfathers topping the bill.

The June 12-13 event features a packed rock and blues line-up, a traditional Victorian circus and several stalls. It will be held in Campbell Park with gigs being played in the amphitheatre area.

Local bands are also on the bill, including The Silver Brazilians.

Organiser Olly Read said: "I was looking at going to the Reading Festival with my girlfriend, and after you've bought two tickets, parking, transport and everything else, it's going to cost £400.

"There are so many people who just want to go to festivals, being outdoors, drinking lukewarm beer and listening to bands. That's what we're doing. At our festival you can see some very very good bands and some really great performers. There's something for everyone and a family can expect to pay £30 not £500."

The Blockheads, left and Tony from the Silver Brazilians, above

New funding brings help for deprived MK families

DEPRIVED families are to receive help from a newly appointed co-ordinator.

Home-Start Milton Keynes, a charity that supports local families with at least one child under the age of five, has been successful in securing £17,000 towards the salary of a family group co-ordinator.

Funding has been secured from Lloyds TSB Foundation for England and Wales for £15,000 over a period of two years and a further one year grant of £2,000 has been received from Guinness Midsummer.

This funding secures the ongoing success of three of Home-Start Milton Keynes' five weekly family groups which currently run at The ArtRoom Children's Centre in Bletchley, Hedgerows in Netherfield and Rowans in Fullers Slade.

Senior co-ordinator, Steph Ellis, said: "We are delighted at securing these grants. Our family groups are a vital part of the support we provide and often complement the support offered by a home-visiting volunteer. The groups provide the opportunity for young families to meet together in a structured setting which provides support and friendship and the opportunity for the children to play and socialise."

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Shopping centre staff shortlisted for top awards

TWO members of the management team at Milton Keynes' shopping venue thecentre:mk have been shortlisted for industry awards.

Centre director Robert Goodman and head of advertising and communications Melanie Beck have been shortlisted for Manager of the Year (Large Centre) and Marketing Manager of the Year respectively at the Sceptre Awards.

The Sceptre Awards have been running for 10 years and are organised by Shopping Centre magazine and aim to recognise best practice and the best teams in the shopping centre industry.

2010 saw a record number of entries and both Robert and Melanie have been shortlisted down to the last six in each category and face competition from centre's including Bluewater and Westfield Derby.

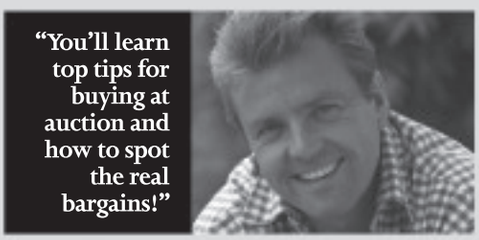
Robert, said: "This is absolutely fantastic news it would've been impossible to be shortlisted without the hard work of the team and the response of our customers to the changes we've initiated.

"The new marketing campaign has attracted shoppers from the outer regions, we've introduced a host of environmental initiatives including bio-diesel which helped ensure we were the highest placed retail company in the 2009 Sunday Times Green Companies awards.

"Our new restaurant quarter – Destination Dining - is close to completion with lettings to Carluccios, Nandos, Yo! Sushi and Cafe Rouge."

The winners will be announced at the awards dinner at The Dorchester, London on June, 22.

Martin Roberts Free Roadshow



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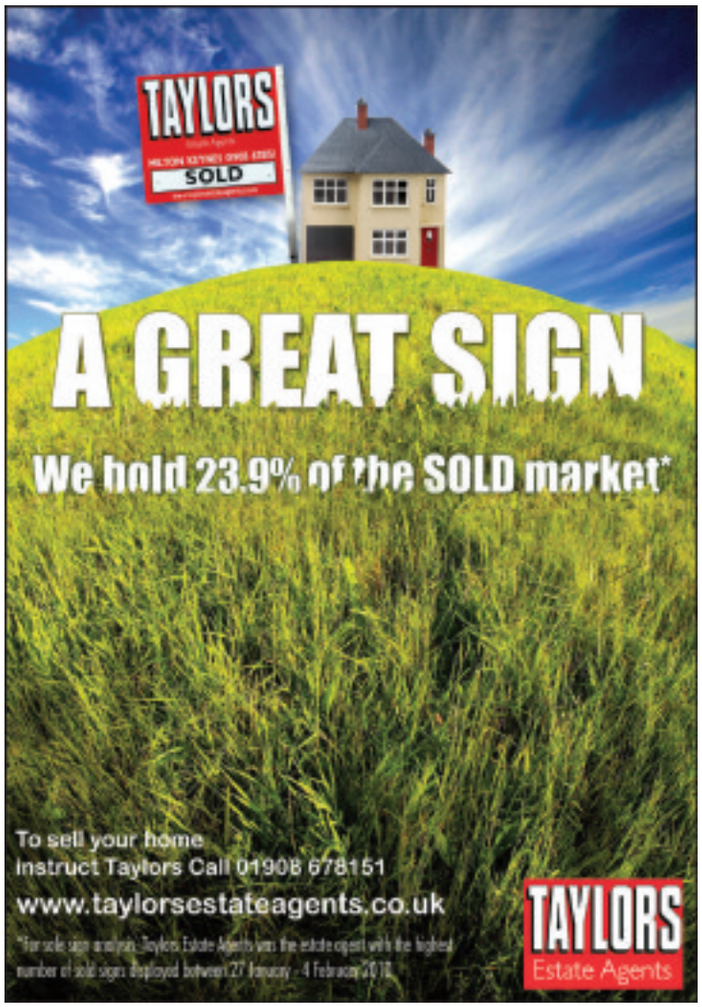

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The Parks Trusts' Claire Lewis with a youngster on an educational visit

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The Quality Badge was developed as part of the Learning Outside the Classroom Manifesto, a national initiative to ensure young people are given more opportunities to have these experiences as part of the curriculum.

The Parks Trust's education co-ordinator, Rachel Sutton, said: "Being awarded the Quality Badge is a real coup for all the staff here as it shows that we offer young people the type of high quality learning experiences they really benefit from. We're thrilled to get official recognition for our efforts and we look forward to welcoming even more children and young adults from the local area to our parks."

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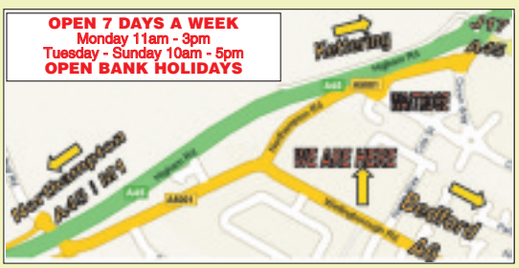

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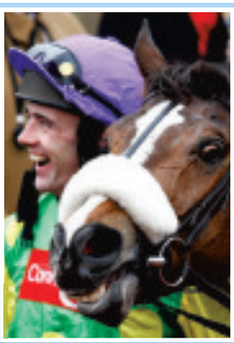

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MK College students take a bow for their fund-raising efforts at the Coffee for a Cause event

Students serve up Coffee for a Cause

SHOPPERS were invited to sup a cuppa for charity at Middleton Hall helping business students from Milton Keynes College raise £1,146.92 for Willen Hospice.

The teenagers used skills learned on their course to organise, publicise and secure sponsorship for the Coffee for a Cause event at thecentre:mk.

"All the students worked so professionally together and with others to organise this worthwhile event. It gave them a valuable opportunity to develop personal and business skills," said Chris Tomlin, business and professional area manager at MK College.

Red Hot and Starbucks provided discounted food and drink on the day and students from across a whole range of college departments, ran various games, activities and stalls.

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A flavour of footy

A FEAST of football fun will be served up in Milton Keynes primary schools.

From Monday, June 7 a council backed school meals promotion scheme kicks off, run by Cygnet Catering.

For five weeks around the football World Cup, pupils who have school meals will receive football related goodies with their meals.

The offer is open to regular diners as well as pupils who have never tried school meals before.

After the first week, pupils will receive a pack of football-related puzzles and activities and be entered into a prize draw to win one of many sports related prizes.

In weeks two to four, pupils will receive a sticker with every meal, meaning that by the end of week four they will have completed the set of 15 stickers.

In week five, all pupils who receive school meals can enter a competition to design a winner's trophy with the chance to win £50 worth of prizes or sports vouchers.

Jeanette Leadbetter from Milton Keynes Council's Children and Young People's Services said: "We work closely with Cygnet who provide hot meals to 4,000 pupils in 80 Milton Keynes primary schools. We encourage parents to take up school meals at any time but this extra incentive makes it an ideal time to try them out.

Hazel Bygate, Cygnet's operations director, said: "We thought that with the World Cup grabbing everyone's attention, we could reflect this in the schools and boost the uptake of school lunches at the same time. We want to encourage more children to taste a school meal and hopefully persuade them that it should become a habitual choice for them, not an occasional choice."

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Cooling System. If you haven't had the cooling system of your car flushed recently, do it now. This will help prevent your car from overheating. Check your belts and hoses for cracking and have them replaced if necessary.

Change your oil frequently. Most engines in new cars have longer oil change intervals than cars from a few years ago. Follow your manufacturers guidelines and make sure that you hang on to the receipts.

Check or replace your filters. Check to make sure that your lights are functioning properly

Replace your windshield wipers. Most manufacturers recommend replacing your wipers 2 times a year… once before winter so you have a new set to get you through bad weather, and once in the spring to handle those rain storms.

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Disabled young adults have questions answered

YOUNG adults with disabilities have come together to find out what help is available to them.

A council-led event held at the Walnuts Infant Department in Bletchley brought relevant services together to answer questions for those in school year groups nine to 13.

They were offered help and advice by MK Children and Young People's Rights Service, Milton Keynes College, Jobcentre Plus, Macintyre Care, Thrift Farm, Make a Difference (MaD), Sailability, MK Snap, MK Dons Football and the Disability Resource Centre (DRC).

The evening was arranged in partnership by the council's Children with Disabilities Team and Adult Learning Disability Team.

Cheryl Ashenden from the Children with Disabilities Team said: "We had a high level of interest from families. It not only provided families with information, advice and guidance but it also provided stall holders with a good opportunity to network with other teams and find out more about the variety of services on offer."

Corey and Damon Downes at the Ferrari and the British Racing Drivers Club, Ferrari Experience at Silverstone

Track treat for carer kids

TWO brothers from Milton Keynes were among 50 children treated to a day out at Silverstone Cicruit.

Damon and Corey Downes were taken around the iconic racetrack in a fleet of Ferrari California sports cars, chauffered by professional drivers and young members from the British Racing Drivers' Club's SuperStars scheme.

The children were all nominated by two charities, Starlight, which brightens the lives of seriously and terminally ill children by granting their wishes, and the automotive industry charity, BEN.

The brothers' live in Oldbrook in an adapted bungalow for their father Lee who uses a wheelchair due to a ruptured spinal chord.

Damon, 14, who has been diagnosed with attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD), and Corey, 12, are both young carers supporting their mother Lisa, who also has health dificulties.

Each child was treated to a 15-minute ride, their families were given access to the exclusive BRDC Clubhouse, which is decorated with evocative images of racing cars and memorabilia charting Silverstone's illustrious history.

Also taking the wheel were Fifth Gear presenter Jason Plato and Pink Floyd drummer and noted Ferrari enthusiast Nick Mason.

Ferrari driver Marc Gene was also spent time talking to the youngsters and their familties about what it is like to be a Formula One driver.

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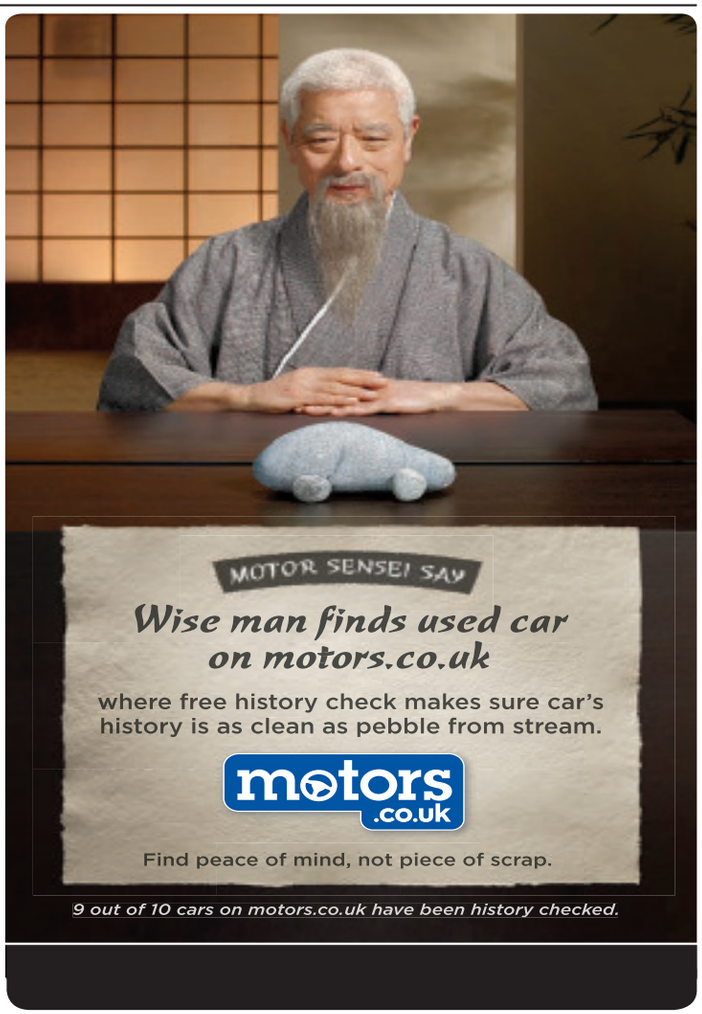

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TWO dance groups used their moves to battle for victory in a school competition.

The dance off, known as TDO, at Oakgrove School was the culmination of ten weeks of training and rehearsals for 20 students.

The final took place in front of a packed theatre at Oakgrove School and saw Wind-Up GaGa just pipped to the post by the White Tees after an audience vote.

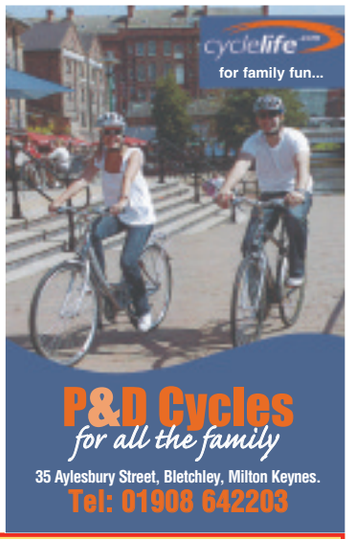
The club, for children from years seven, eight and nine, was set up by the school's year nine student leaders who have recently graduated from a programme run by the council's Extended Services Team and the University of the First Age (UFA).

At the end of the UFA programme, the student leaders were awarded £300 to take away and use to lead a project in their own schools.

At Oakgrove the students set up TDO for their fellow students to choose from learning two dance styles, either hip-hop or contemporary.

Oakgrove teacher, Miss Dolphin, said: "The UFA leaders have shown true leadership throughout the 10 weeks. I'm extremely proud of everyone involved."

Oakgrove School's TDO 'dance off' competition finalists



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The pageant's main charitable beneficiary will be the Upenyu Hutsva Orphanage in Harare, Zimbabwe, which houses 100 orphaned children.

Ms Adams added: "Miss African Spirit will give specifically to several sections of this community, with the aim of providing self-sustainable options for their future. We're inviting individuals, families, community groups, schools, churches, businesses and everyone in between not only to support the pageant but to participate. The psychological benefits derived from giving to others who are less fortunate are priceless."

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Twenty-four arts venues and organisations are combining forces under the banner of the Arts Open Weekend on 14, 15 and 16 May to invite visitors to participate in a selection of workshops and tours, to enjoy an exhibition, listen to music or buy some craft.

Participating venues include Milton Keynes Gallery, Milton Keynes Theatre, artworks-mk, InterAction MK, Madcap, and MK City Church.

Lady Rima Scott, Chair of the Arts & Heritage Alliance, the organisation responsible for this initiative said: "This weekend is about enjoying the fantastic arts that are on our doorstep.

"There is so much choice in Milton Keynes, and we would like to encourage everyone to go out and try something different over this weekend."

This, the second year of Arts Open Weekend, has more activities available than last year, with heritage sites such as City Discovery Centre (Bradwell Abbey) joining forces with a craft fair and demonstrations by a chainsaw artist plus Vagabond Cinema will be showing the Buster Keaton silent movie 'The General' with live piano accompaniment at St Georges Church.

Lucy Bedford, Arts Open Weekend Project Manager said: "We are really pleased that this year there are more events on offer with venues such as the City Church, University Centre, Open University and Play Association adding to the programme. We also have a broad spectrum of activities ranging from dance and drama to craft, visual arts, film and live music. "

To see the full programme, pop into the library or one of the participating venues or download a programme from www.aha-mk.org/artsopenweekend.htm

Alongside this, BBC Blast are running free creative workshops from the Buszy; home of Make a Difference (near CMK Train Station) for 13-19 year olds. Sessions can be booked by visiting: www.bbc.co.uk/blast

SIMON DARNELL

CRASH AND BURN
Sugababes 4.0

I'M not really sure why I'm reviewing this, I mean, it all seems so pointless now. A few months ago I described the parlous state of the girlband market and I said that all that would be needed to throw the whole thing into a terminal tailspin would be a Fuzzbox reunion.

Well, since I wrote those words Fuzzbox have reunited, so that's the end of that... surely?... to be honest, I have no idea anymore.

The title of this song OUGHT to be a metaphor for what's happened to the Sugababes since their last regeneration, but here they are, still chucking out Top 10 singles like there's nothing to it.

Girls Aloud don't look like they're coming back any time soon, Girls Can't Catch have only recently experienced what it's like to have even a Top 20 single and Mini Viva... let's move on.

Somehow the good ship Sugababes and its alternating crew of three has ended up flying the flag, but God alone knows how they've got away with it.

Actually, come to think of it, perhaps it's because their last two singles were actually very good. Nah, this is the wonderful world of pop music, it couldn't be that simple.

Whatever the reason, this single's a clunker, but then it is the fourth from the album so theoretically all the best songs and Get Sexy have already gone.

It's mid-tempo, it's got a wailing guitar doing an amazing impression of a Stylophone and it's got some seriously heavy beats dumped on top of it in an attempt to give it a bit more depth, but it's not much cop.

UMBRELLA BEACH
Owl City

ALLIGATOR
Tegan and Sara

ONE of these songs is style over substance, and the other is substance over style.

Owl City have gone down the uplifting pop anthem route with heavily processed vocals, a bit in the middle where everything calms down for a while and a tune that Erasure would've killed for in the mid-1990s.

Tegan and Sara, on the other hand, have come up with a short and simple pop song with few special effects but loads of heart, and that's where Umbrella Beach lose out.

Owl City's song sounds like it was conceived and put together as an event rather than a song, and if you're going to get away with that you have to come up with something on a par with the Chemical Brothers' current masterpiece.

They haven't and they don't, so the points go the other way.

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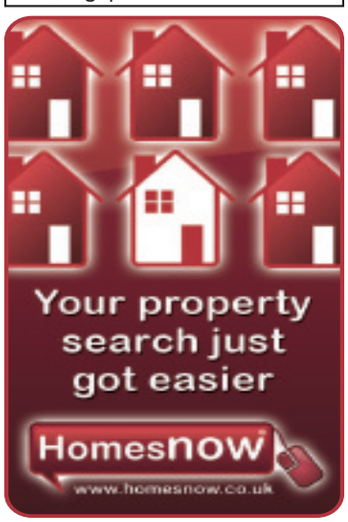

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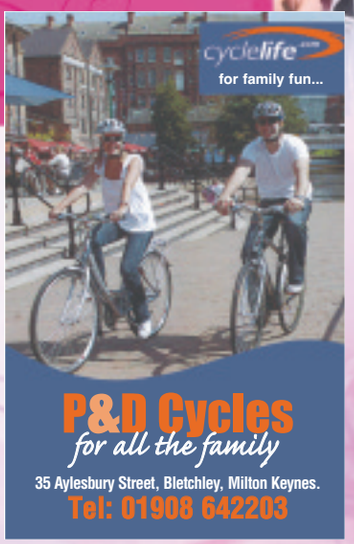

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4. PESCATORE Tomato, Cheese, Tuna, Prawns, Anchovies	£9.80	£11.00	£13.00	£16.00
5. BBQ BONANZA Cheese, BBQ Sauce, Red Onions, Spicy Beef, Sausage	£9.80	£11.00	£13.00	£16.00
6. TEXAN BBQ BBQ Sauce, Cheese, Onion, Peppers, BBQ Chicken, Bacon	£9.80	£11.00	£13.00	£16.00
7. PEPPERONI FEAST Double Mozzarella, Double Pepperoni	£9.80	£11.00	£13.00	£16.00
8. MILANESE Tomato, Cheese, Ham , Mushrooms	£9.50	£10.50	£12.00	£15.00
9. HAWAIIAN Tomato, Cheese, Ham, Pineapple	£9.50	£10.50	£12.00	£15.00
10. MIGHTY MEATY Tomato, Cheese, Salami, Beef, Chicken, Ham, Bacon, Sausage	£10.30	£12.00	£14.00	£17.00
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5 CHICKEN FEAST BBQ Sauce, Plain Chicken, Mushrooms & Peppers	9.50	12.50	15.50
6 AMERICANA Onion, Pepperoni, Beef, Green Chillies & Peppers	9.50	12.50	15.50
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8 TASTY VEGGIE Onion, Mushroom, Sweetcorn, Peppers, Olives & Tomatos	9.50	12.50	15.50
9 MEAT FEAST Beef, Pepperoni, Turkey & Chicken Tikka	9.50	12.50	15.50
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Kebab Roll	£3.20
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KEEMA

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18 pieces of Chicken, 6 Chips 1.5 Litre coke & coleslaw **£21.50**

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Lamb Tikka	£3.99
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Sizzling Garlic King Prawn	£6.50
Sizzling Garlic Mushroom	£3.50
Chicken Pakora	£2.50
Vegetable Pakora	£2.00
Samosa Meat/Veg portion of two	£1.40
Tandoori Chicken Leg	£1.75
Chana Chaat	£2.50

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MEAT

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7. Pepperoni Lover Cheese, tomato, double pepperoni	£9.25	£10.25	£15.25
8. Hot & Spicy Cheese, tomato, garlic, onion, beef, jalapeno	£9.25	£10.25	£15.25
9. BBQ Special Cheese, BBQ sauce, beef, BBQ chicken	£8.75	£10.25	£14.25
10. Mad Beef Cheese, tomato, beef, onion, pepper	£8.75	£9.75	£14.25
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Meal Deals

Any 3 9" Pizzas £12.50
Any 3 12" Pizzas £15.50
Any 3 15" Pizzas £20.50

Kebabs

Chicken shish kebab £3.25 (small) £4.20 (large)
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Mixed kebab £4.25 (small) £5.25 (large)
Doner kebab & chips £3.20 (small) £4.25 (large)

Side Orders

Steak (chips, mushroom & salad)	£8.00
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6 Potato Wedges	£3.40
Onion Rings	£2.00
3 Potato Skins & Mozzarella	£2.00
Garlic Bread	£1.50
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15pc Chicken, 8 Wings, 1 Coleslaw, 4 Fries & Bottle of drink	£18.50
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BBQ Treat Cheese, BBQ sauce, beef, BBQ chicken, onion	£9.25	£10.25	£14.75
Beef Eater Cheese, tomato, beef, onion, pepper	£9.25	£10.25	£14.75
Volcano Cheese, tomato, ham, pepperoni, chicken, onion, peppers	£9.75	£10.75	£15.75
Seafood Special Cheese, tomato, tuna, prawn, anchovies	£9.75	£10.75	£15.75
Vegetarian Cheese, tomato, sweet corn, mushrooms, pineapple, olives, peppers, onions	£9.75	£10.75	£15.75
Chicken Tikka Cheese, tomato, tikka, onion, pepper	£9.75	£10.75	£15.75
Pepperoni Feast Cheese, tomato, double pepperoni	£9.75	£10.75	£15.75
Hot & Spicy Cheese, tomato, garlic, onion, beef, jalapeno	£9.75	£10.75	£15.75
Meat Treat Cheese, tomato, ham, bacon, chicken, beef, sausage, pepperoni	£10.00	£11.75	£16.75

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Toppings: Tomato, cheese, tuna, anchovies, chicken, beef, sausage, bacon, pineapple, ham, salami, pepperoni, tikka, olives, mushrooms, corn, onions, peppers, garlic, jalapeno, BBQ sauce

Harry's Pick 'n' Mix

	9" regular	12" large	15" king size
Cheese & Tomato base Plus two different toppings	£9.25	£10.25	£14.75
Cheese & Tomato base Plus four different toppings	£9.75	£10.75	£15.75
Cheese & Tomato base Plus eight different toppings	£10.00	£11.75	£16.75

Harry's Pizza Deals:

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Harry's Kebabs:

Chicken shish kebab £3.00 £4.00
Doner kebab £3.00 £4.00
Mixed kebab £4.00 £5.00
Doner meat & chips £3.00 £4.00
2 shish kebab & nan £3.25

Harry's Side Orders:

French fries	£1.20
Coleslaw	£1.00
Garlic Bread	£1.50
Garlic Bread (mozzarella cheese)	£2.00
Prawn Cocktail	£2.00
Garlic Mushrooms	£2.00
Chicken Dippers	£3.00
Potato Wedges	£2.00
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Hot Chicken Wings (6pcs)	£3.50
Onion Rings	£2.00
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Nipponzan Myohoji Temple Gardens at Willen Lake North: A haven of peace and tranquility

From birdlife to Dragon Boats – enjoy the doorstep delights of Willen Lakes

HOW many of us jump in the car at the weekend to spend some time in the countryside and miss the jewels of green space that exist on our very doorstep?

As you travel towards the M1 and Bedford many of us catch a glimpse of the glistening waters of Willen Lake – but did you realise that there ares actually two lakes?

The South Lake is one of Milton Keynes most popular parks.

Owned by The Parks Trust, but managed by Whitecap Leisure, the lake offers a hotel and restaurant, leisure centre, a cafe, children's play area, watersports and high rope activity course that together attract more than a million visitors each year.

It holds some of the city's most popular events such as the Dragon Boat Festival, Jet Ski National Finals and the Bananaman charity fun run.

The North Lake at Willen, owned and managed by The Parks Trust, is only a minute's walk away from the South Lake and, in contrast, is a haven of tranquility.

Home of the Peace Pagoda, a stone circle known as the Medicine Wheel and a labyrinth, the lake is also one of Buckinghamshire's richest sites for birdlife.

The Peace Pagoda is one of Milton Keynes' best-known landmarks.

It was built as a symbol of peace by the monks and nuns of the Nipponzan Myohoji community who live in the temple nearby.

Visitors are always welcome and you should make some time to visit the temple's beautiful garden.

Just a short distance from the pagoda is the labyrinth a maze of pathways leading to a tree of life in the centre.

Recently the labyrinth's paths were cleared by volunteers from Abbey and Dominino's Pizza working with the trust to maintain its parks and restore this popular ground puzzle.

The Milton Keynes Circle of Hearts Medicine Wheel was inspired by Native American traditions as a universal symbol of peace.

It offers a space for contemplation and an outdoor shrine to honour the diverse traditions and cultures making up the city.

Because of its tranquility the North Lake is one of the best spots in the region for seeing resident and visiting birds.

More than 200 species have been recorded here including such rarities as osprey, caspian tern, roseate tern, Slavonian grebe amongst the more common migrants of dunlin, oystercatcher, green sandpiper, ruff, curlew and golden plover.

While both lakes offer a variety leisure time activities, like many of our lakes and ponds in Milton Keynes they were also purpose-built to protect homes in the city from floodwater.

Not many people realise that they are part of a city-wide network of lakes that offer the city flood control from the River Ouzel and Ouse.

The two lakes lie between the H3, Monks Way, and the H6, Childs Way.

Free car-parking is available at North Willen Lake, off V10 Brickhill Street, at Portland Drive near Willen Hospice or off the V11 Tongwell Street.

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To discover more about North and South Willen Lakes visit www.theparkstrust.com

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Tickets £14

WHATEVER NEXT!

Saturday, May 22. 2.30pm

"CAN I go to the Moon?" asked Baby Bear.

"No you can't," said Mrs Bear. "It's bathtime. Anyway, you'd have to find a rocket first."

Undeterred, Baby Bear finds a rocket, packs a picnic and visits the moon, accompanied by a friendly owl he meets along the way. Using puppetry, movement, object animation, a bit of juggling and a lot of imagination, Whatever Next! explores the joy of imaginative play and the wonders of space.

tutti frutti and York Theatre Royal bring this much-loved children's classic to life, accompanied by a specially composed, magical musical score. Whatever Next?

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ROBIN HOOD

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From Friday

FOLLOWING King Richard's death, this tale follows an archer who returns from the crusades to become the infamous outlaw Robin Hood (Crowe). This realistic take of the legend will pit Hood against King John (Isaac) and his nefarious right-hand man the Sheriff of Nottingham (Macfadyen).

EYES WIDE OPEN (12A)

Zohar Shtrauss, Ran Danker, Tinkerbell, Tzahi Grad

From Friday

WHEN his father dies, respectable married butcher Aaron (Strauss) hires handsome young student Ezri (Danker) to help him with his business. The pair soon begin a tentative affair that must at all costs be kept secret.

IRON MAN 2 (12A)

Robert Downey Jr, Mickey Rourke, Sam Rockwell, Gwyneth Paltrow, Samuel L Jackson, Don Cheadle, Tim Robbins

Now showing

PLAYBOY superhero Tony Stark is starting to crack from the strain of a mysterious malady. Meanwhile, deranged Russian Ivan Vanko is plotting to annihilate Tony, in the guise of super-villain Whiplash.

FOUR LIONS (15)

Riz Ahmed, Kayvan Novak, Nigel Lindsay, Adeel Akhtar, Arsher Ali, Preeya Kalidas

Now showing

OMAR, a British Muslim, has formed a terrorist cell with his brother Waj , white convert Barry and bomb-maker Fessal. While Omar and Waj are in Pakistan at a Mujahideen training camp, Barry recruits would-be rapper Hassan. Returning to Britain, Omar reveals his plans for a suicide bomb attack.

Russell Crow in Robin Hood

THE BACK-UP PLAN (12A)

Jennifer Lopez, Alex O'Loughlin, Eric Christian Olsen

Now showing

SINGLE and desperate for a child, Zoe arranges for artificial insemination. When she meets the Stan, she's faced with a dilemma: admit she's pregnant and risk losing him or cover up the truth.

HOT TUB TIME MACHINE (15)

John Cusack, Rob Corddry, Craig Robinson, Clark Duke, Lizzy Caplan

Now showing

FORMER best buds Adam, Nick and Lou are reunited after Lou's drunken antics are mistaken for a suicide attempt. After a drunken night in a hot tub, wake up in 1986.

WIN CINEMA TICKETS

MK NEWS has teamed up with Cineworld at the Xscape to offer readers the chance to win a pair of tickets to see the film of their choice.
Just tell us who plays King John in Robin Hood.
Answers by e-mail to: competitions@mk-news.co.uk
Please include your name, address and daytime telephone number.
Closing date Tuesday, May 18.
Editor's decision is final.

DAILY LIFE

FRIDAY

VIKING Astronomy. Rectory Cottages, Church Green Road, Bletchley. A talk by Martin Lunn MBE organized by the Milton Keynes Astronomical Society at Rectory Cottages, Church Green Road, Bletchley at 8pm. Free. All welcome.

ARTS Open Weekend. Until Sunday
Arts venues all over Milton Keynes
Email: arts@milton-keynes.gov.uk
The 2nd year of this annual event
Three days of FREE tours, classes, workshops, activities and displays at Arts venues all over Milton Keynes

SATURDAY

NEARLY New Baby Fair, Woburn Village Hall. The Baby Fair. Beds, Herts & Bucks Nearly New Baby and Toddler Things Table Top Sale at Woburn Village Hall, Noon to 3pm. Entry £1 for adults, children are free. Looking for good quality preloved, secondhand and unwanted baby and toddler things then The Baby Fair is the place to look. Bargains go fast so get in early.
Want to hire a table to sell your old baby and toddler stuff email nearlynewagency@yahoo.co.uk or call 0777 310 6983 for details.

PINK Cardiacs at The White Horse Stony Stratford. Vintage rock'n'roll a la Eddie Cochran, Gene Vincent, Buddy Holly, The Coasters. Starts 9pm. Free.

SPECIAL vintage sale. York House, Stony Stratford. 10am and 3pm.The event is complete with crafts stalls, independent artists and a 1950s ice cream van and old-fashioned tea room.
For more details call 07956 848125.

Leisure or events news? e-mail **david.gale@mk-news.co.uk** | phone **01908 689595**

MK BUSINESS

Chamber members spend a day at Towcester races

MORE than 80 people enjoyed VIP hospitality at Towcester Racecourse at the Milton Keynes Chamber of Commerce 'Day at the Races' event.

The event saw a mix of local companies across a range of different sectors including IT, finance and retail bring their own staff and guests to enjoy a sumptuous lunch with free-flowing wine before enjoying the afternoon's full race card

The British weather held out for most of the afternoon to see off the well-supported races, two of which were sponsored by some of the companies attending.

The hospitality stand at Towcester Racecourse has a commanding view across the entire course and after placing their bets, guests moved on to the balcony area to cheer home their horses.

McIntyre Hudson sponsored the first race and representatives from the company welcomed home the winner, the aptly named Shore Thing, and presented the trophy to the horse's owner.

Next up was the safenames.net sponsored race with the much fancied horse The Ferbane Man being ridden home in first place after a close finish.

Chamber of Commerce members watch the racing at Towcester

As the first corporate hospitality event of 2010, Milton Keynes Chamber of Commerce believes that these events give Chamber members the opportunity to both promote their own businesses to a wider audience and to entertain clients and staff members.

Rita Spada, CEO at the Chamber, said: "This type of event is a great day out for our members but is also an important promotional and motivational tool.

"In these challenging economic times, businesses have to find innovative ways to get their name out into the marketplace and motivate their hardworking staff."

More hospitality events are planned throughout the year including a golf tournament in June.

If you are interesting in attending any Chamber events, contact them on 01908 259000 or visit www.mk-chamber.co.uk

Recycling firm up for top award

A RECYCLING business has been shortlisted for a national award.

Easicycle, based in Milton Keynes, one of three businesses shortlisted for the Venture Candy run by the national newspaper, Metro.

It is battling it out with two fellow green business for votes this week and for the chance to win a host of top prizes that will give them the foundations they need to grow.

It is part of a nationwide competition to find the UK's next top entrepreneurs, providing aspiring enterprises with the exposure, profile and support they need to transform themselves into talked-about brands.

Since the competition opened on March 16 more than 1,000 entrepreneurs submitted applications online.

The three shortlisted businesses from the competition's Green category, were selected by Eugenie Harvey, Director of 10:10 Campaign, Michael Birch, Founder of Bebo and Richard Peters, co-founder of The Scarlett Mark.

Easicycle was chosen for its development of a flat-pack recycling container for small, high rise apartment blocks, made from recycled and recyclable materials.

It is run by Peter Christmas and his design partner Nicola Heaton, both of whom struggled to recycle whilst living in a small, high rise apartment block.

They are competing against GlassECO and Econogo.

Prizes on offer include a £50,000 advertising campaign, mentorship and PA service, as well as marketing and branding, IT support and membership to premier business clubs in the UK.

The winner will be announced in Metro on May 17.

Gulliver's staff prepare to mount a Three Peaks challenge

A MILTON Keynes man will embark on a steep challenge next month to raise money for a children's charity.

Richard Welby will climb the famous Three Peaks – Ben Nevis, Scafell Pike and Snowdon in just 24 hours, to raise money for Dreams Come True.

Richard, who works as duty manager at Gulliver's Dinosaur and Farm Park and will also manage the new SplashZone water play attraction, will be joined by colleagues from Gulliver's Matlock Bath and Warrington theme parks on the challenge.

The group has already had training days on Snowdon and Scafell Pike to prepare them for the big event on May 18 and 19.

Richard said: "We're all very nervous about it, but we're excited too. We've raised more than £300 already, so a big thank you goes to our colleagues, friends and families for supporting us."

Dreams Come True raises money to bring joy to the lives of terminally and seriously ill children across the UK.

To sponsor the group, visit www.justgiving.com/3parks3peaks

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Manor Farm, Fenny Stratford

Manor Farm is a Grade II listed former farmhouse which according to local reference books can be traced back to 1190, as a settlement by the De Grey family. In 1602 they moved and the current farmhouse was built and added to in the 18th Century.

It is set on a plot of approximately one third of an acre including a large, lawned garden with a southerly aspect, gravelled driveway providing parking and a double garage.

Carefully maintained and retaining much character to include exposed beams and leaded light windows.

The ground floor accommodation includes four separate reception rooms, all accessed via the entrance hall which opens out into the kitchen/breakfast room and a utility room. On the first floor there are five bedrooms with an ensuite to the master and a family bathroom.

The current owners have lived there for 10 years and were first attracted by the location which enabled them to walk to the local amenities of Fenny Stratford and Bletchley Train Station for the commute into London. A delightful family home which is worthy of an internal viewing.

Price £595,000
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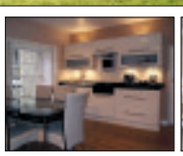
Mursley £525,000

•Beautifully presented detached executive home
•Four reception rooms
•Four double bedrooms • two en suites • family bathroom
•Gardens to the front, rear and side
•Ample off road parking in front of the detached double garage•

Monkston Park £550,000

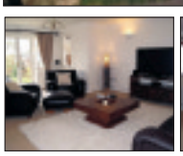
•Stunning five bedroom stone built executive residence
•This former show home is situated on a corner plot
•2 Reception rooms •30ft kitchen/family room
•Five double bedrooms •Three en-suites and a family bathroom
•landscaped gardens •Driveway and double garage
•An internal viewing is highly recommended

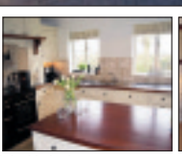
Bradwell Village £750,000



•Early Victorian detached character home
•Offering a wealth of living accommodation and generous gardens.
•Lounge •Dining room •Study •Modern kitchen/breakfast •Cellar
•5 bedrooms and 2 bathrooms
•Many character features
•Gardens wrap around the rear of this home

Whaddon Offers Over £600,000





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Emerson Valley — £489,950

- Located in the desirable area of Emerson Valley this property is a true 'find'
- 3 reception rooms • Kitchen/family room
- 22ft conservatory
- Five bedrooms • two en-suites and family bathroom
- Generous gardens to front and rear
- Ample off road parking in front of the double garage.

Old Farm Park — £415,000

- Generously proportioned four bedroom detached
- Occupying a corner plot
- 3 Reception rooms
- Kitchen/Breakfast Room
- Master bedroom boast dressing room and en suite
- Boasts a triple garage
- Beautifully maintained and generous in size rear garden

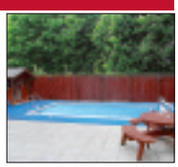
North Crawley — £750,000

- This property is situated in the sought after village of North Crawley
- Enjoys large gardens and generous living accomodation
- 3 Reception rooms
- Kitchen with large breakfast room
- 5 double bedrooms • Hobby room • En suite and family bathroom
- Also a self contained detached annexe as part of this impressive property
- The gardens measure approximately 3/4 acre and back onto open country views.

Bradwell Common — £350,000

- An immaculately presented modern four bedroom detached house
- Very high specification throughout
- Granite surfaces to the kitchen
- Spanish ceramic porcelanosa tiled flooring in entrance hall, kitchen and bathrooms • Integral vacuum system
- Lounge and large dining room
- Large kitchen/breakfast/family room
- Luxurious en-suite and family bathroom
- Ample block paved parking, garage
- well presented rear garden.

Emerson Valley — £440,000



- Large corner plot
- Four reception rooms
- Five double bedroom
- Two en suites
- Swimming pool
- Parking for approximately 10 vehicles
- Double garage
- Balcony overlooking the green

Wolverton Mill — £575,000

- A charming Georgian mill house in a conservation area
- Situated on the banks of the River Great Ouse
- A truly stunning private location
- 4 Bedrooms • 2 Receptions
- Gardens • Private Parking

Broughton Village — £650,000

- This unique bungalow is situated in Broughton Village
- The property has been sympathetically extended.
- Impressive lounge
- Kitchen/breakfast room
- Three bedrooms with three en suites
- Study/bedroom four
- Beautiful gardens

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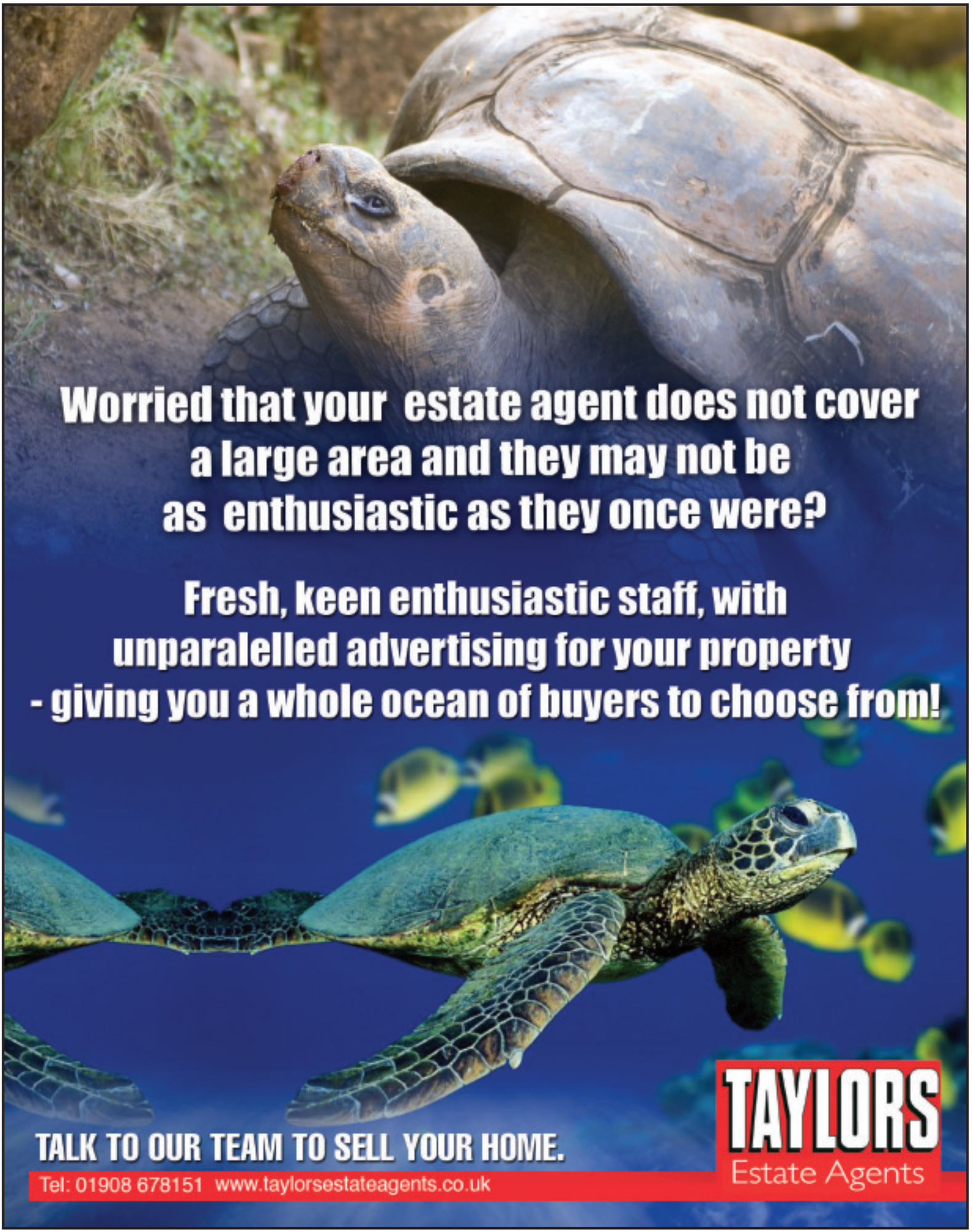
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- Two Bedroom
- Semi Detached
- Kitchen
- Lounge/Diner
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Allocated Parking
- No Upper Chain

Broughton £99,950

- One Bedroom
- Coach House
- Kitchen
- Lounge
- Driveway
- Garage
- No Upper Chain
- Viewing Recommended

Ashland £197,500

- Well Presented
- Three Bedroom
- End of Terrace
- Cloakroom
- Lounge/Diner
- En Suite to Master
- Landscaped Garden
- Driveway & Garage

Milton Keynes £127,500

- 3 Bedroom Property
- Mid Terrace
- Double Glazing
- Kitchen/Diner
- Lounge
- Garden
- Off Road Parking

Conniburrow £86,500

- 1 Bedroom
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- Lounge
- Refitted Kitchen
- Parking
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Willen, 3 Bed Det £225,000
Bancroft, 2 Bed Det £179,995
Wavendon Gate, 3 Bed EOT £175,000
Downs Barns, 3 Bed £159,995
Monkston, 4 Bed Det £259,995
Monkston Park, 4 Bed Det £275,000
Crownhill, 3 Bed Det £219,995
Broughton, 4 Bed EOT £250,000
Westcroft, 6 Bed £239,995

Central Milton Keynes £181,995

- 2 Bedroom Apartment
- Central Location
- Double Glazing
- Lounge/Diner/Kitchen
- En Suite to Master
- Bathroom
- Communal Gardens
- Underground Parking

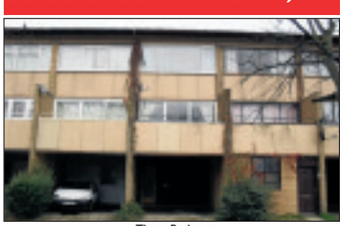
Heelands £152,000

- Two Bedroom
- Semi Detached
- Double Glazing
- Kitchen
- Lounge/Diner
- Gardens
- Off Road Parking
- Viewing Recommended

Crownhill £159,995

- Semi detached home
- Two bedrooms
- Lounge/diner
- Kitchen
- Gardens to front and rear
- Off road parking
- Viewing Recommended

Fishermead £139,995



- Three Bedroom
- Townhouse
- Double Glazing
- Cloakroom
- Rear Garden
- Carport Parking
- Viewing Recommended

Bradwell Common £125,000

- End of terrace home
- Two bedrooms
- Gas to Radiator Heating
- Re-fitted kitchen
- Rear garden
- Off road parking

Bradwell £75,000

- Two Bedroom
- Semi Detached
- Double Glazing
- Kitchen
- Lounge
- Gardens
- Off Road Parking
- Shared Ownership

Bolbeck Park OIEO £194,995

- Well Presented
- 3 Bedroom Detached
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- Detached Property
- Kitchen
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Off Road Parking
- Garage
- Viewing Recommended

Broughton £264,995

- Very Well Presented
- Four Bedroom
- Cloakroom
- Two Reception Rooms
- En Suite to Master
- Courtyard Style Garden
- Off Road Parking
- Garage

Stantonbury £125,000

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- Bathroom
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- Garage

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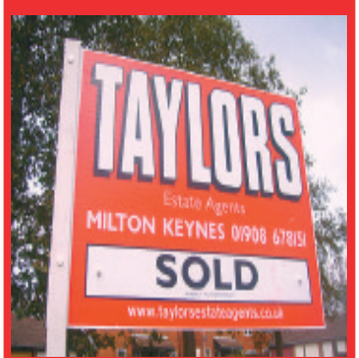

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Two Mile Ash OIEO £190,000

- Much Improved
- Four Bedroom
- Semi Detached
- Gas Radiator Heating
- Double Glazing
- Sun Lounge
- Gardens
- Viewing Recommended

Monkston Park £275,000

- Well Presented
- Four Bedroom Detached
- Kitchen/Diner
- Lounge
- En Suite to Master
- Rear Garden
- Off Road Parking
- Garage

Oldbrook £173,500

- Well Presented
- Three Bedroom
- Town House
- Gas Radiator Heating
- Double Glazing
- Cloakroom
- Garage and Garden
- Viewing Recommended

Milton Keynes £144,995

- Two Bedroom
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- Lounge
- Gardens
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Westcroft £315,000

• Four bedroom detached
• En suite to master bedroom
• Separate reception rooms
• Kitchen and utility
• Gardens to front and rear
• Double garage

Oxley Park £154,995

• Two Bedroom Coach House
• Open Plan Living Room
• Single Garage
• Viewing Recommended

Fenny Stratford £209,995

• Two bedrooms
• Detached
• Gas central heating
• Double glazing
• Off road Parking.
• Garage
• No upper Chain

Fenny Stratford £139,995

• Victorian Style
• Three Bedroom
• End Of Terrace
• No Upper Chain
• Gardens
• Viewing Highly Recommended

Westcroft £212,500

•Well Presented
•Three Bedroom
•Terraced Home
•Popular Location
•En Suite To Master Bedroom
•Single Garage
•Gardens
•Viewing Recommended

Emerson Valley £199,995

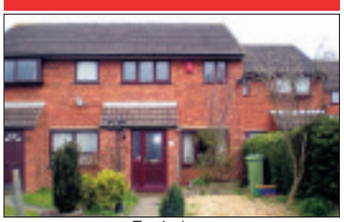
• Three bedrooms
• Semi Detached
• One Reception Room
• Front and Rear Gardens
• Single Garage

Bletchley £155,000

• Three Bedroom
• Victorian Style
• Semi Detached
• Two Reception Rooms
• Front and Rear Gardens
• NO UPPER CHAIN

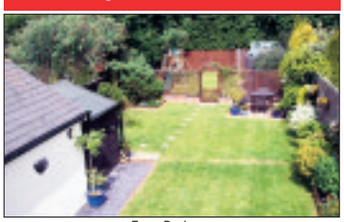
Bletchley £109,995

• Two Bedrooms
• First Floor Maisonette
• Double Glazing
• Gas Central Heating
• Garage In Block
• Viewing highly Recommended

Furzton £174,995

• Two bedrooms
• Lounge
• Dining Room/Family Room
• Kitchen
• Shower Rooms
• Front and Rear Gardens

Westcroft £72,500

•Two Bedroom Apartment
•Lounge/Diner
•Kitchen
•Family Bathroom
•Allocated Parking
•50% Shared Ownership

Bletchley £385,000

• Four Bedrooms
• Detached Property
• Double Glazing
• Garage
• Off Road Parking

Newton Longville Guide Price £180,000

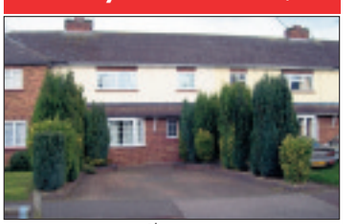
•Three Bedrooms
•Semi Detached
•Lounge
•Dining Room
•Conservatory
•Kitchen
•Downstairs Shower Room
•Utility Room

Tattenhoe £144,995

• Well Presented
• Two Bedroom
• First Floor Apartment
• Lounge & Dining Area
• Kitchen
• En-Suite
• Allocated Parking Space
• Garage

Furzton OIEO £165,000

• Three Bedrooms
• One Reception Room
• 26ft Lounge/Diner
• Rear Garden
• Off Road Parking

Bletchley £162,500

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•Separate WC
•Front & Rear Garden

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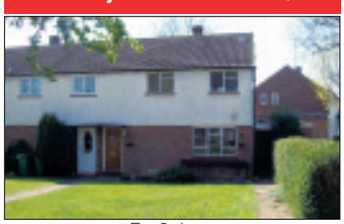
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• Two Bedrooms
• Mid Terraced
• Victorian Property
• Front and Rear Gardens
• NO UPPER CHAIN

Bradville £140,000

•Three Bedrooms
•Lounge
•Kitchen/Diner
•Utility Area/Storage Cupboard
•Bathroom
•Lean-to/Conservatory
•Parking For Several Cars
•Rear Garden

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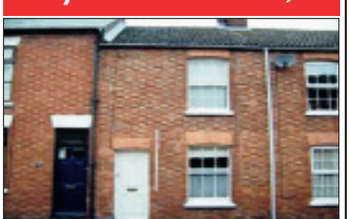
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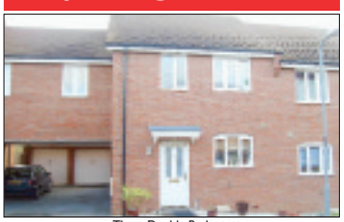

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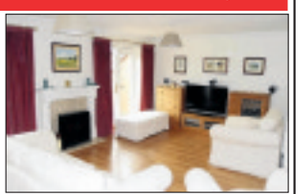

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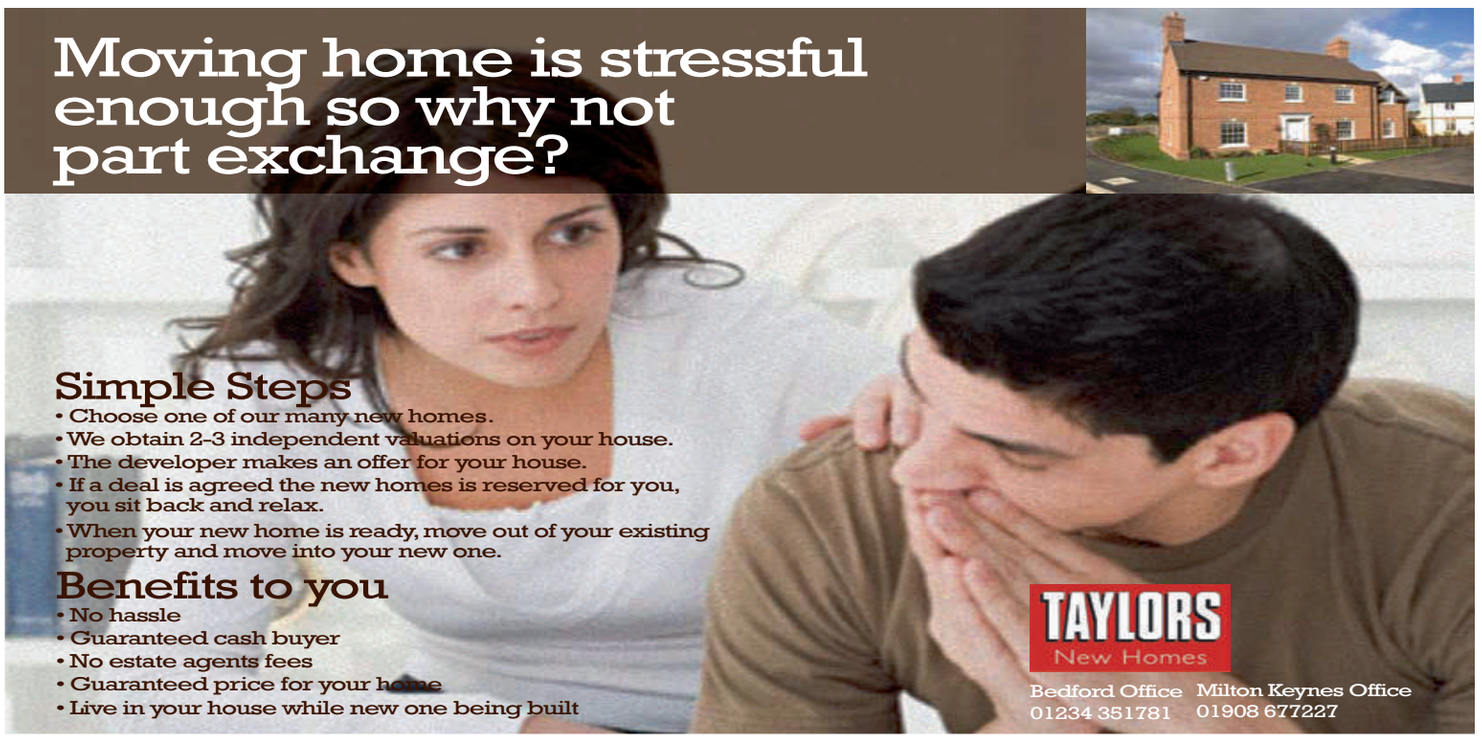

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Hanslope £600

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Caldecotte £875

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Taylors Lettings are delighted to offer this one bedroom apartment situated in the much sought after location of 'The Hub'. The property is on the sixth floor and is available as of 10th May 2010. Call the Lettings Team now on 01908 393924 to arrange a viewing!

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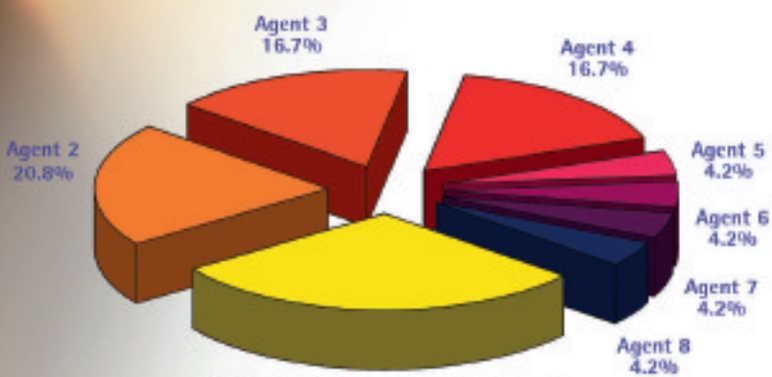

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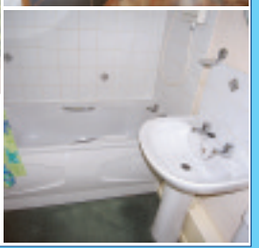
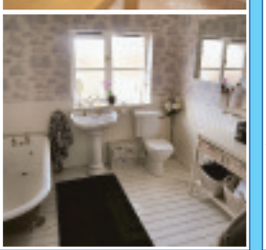
A four bedroom detached property with a double garage. A well presented family home situated within this popular residential area. The kitchen and dining room have been linked to create a kitchen/family room and a conservatory has been added to the rear. There is also a downstairs cloakroom and an ensuite dressing area and shower room to the master bedroom.



Browns Wood Offers in Excess of £100,000

A one bedroom ground floor apartment which is one of eight situated within this purpose built block. The property is double glazed and has a fitted kitchen with built in oven and hob, allocated parking and electric heating. The accommodation briefly comprises; entrance hall, lounge, kitchen, bedroom and bathroom. The property is being offered for sale withÊvacant possession.



Bletchley £389,995

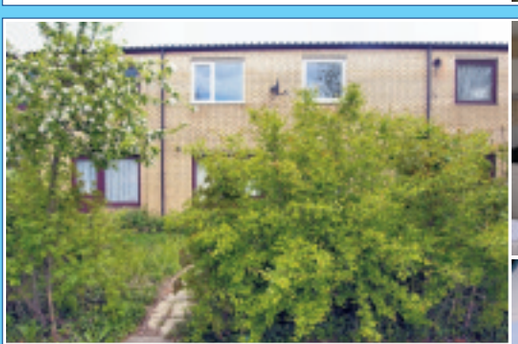
A 1930's five bedroom detached property believed to have been built by the Tranfield family. It has been extended to the side and rear to create a spacious family home with a good size garden and a cul-de-sac location. The accommodation is versatile with two reception rooms currently used as a lounge/diner and a study/family room. There is a refitted L-shaped kitchen/breakfast room, an ensuite and both a shower room and a bathroom.

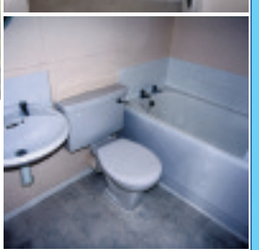
Middleton £195,000

A three bedroom end of terrace property offered for sale in good condition and situated within a cul-de-sac . There is no upper chain due to it having been rented out successfully for a number of years. The property has a downstairs cloakroom, a kitchen/diner with built in appliances and an attached garage.

Leadenhall £50,000

A 40% share in this two bedroom ground floor apartment is offered for sale under the shared ownership scheme. Buyers purchase 40%, renting the remaining 60% from Paradigm housing association. Offered for sale in excellent condition with gas radiator central heating, intercom entry and allocated parking. Included within the price is £2000 for fixtures and fittings.





Downs Barn £99,995

A one bedroom flat situated close to Central Milton Keynes and offered for sale with no upper chain. There is an intercom entry system and an early viewing is recommended. It has been refurbished to include refitting of the kitchen, PVCu double glazed windows, new floor coverings and redecoration.

Broughton £370,000

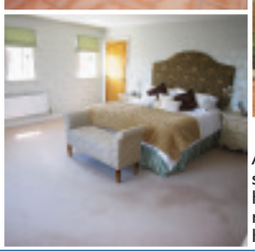
A five bedroom detached property situated on what is in our opinion a large plot with potential to extend (subject to planning). The loft has been converted creating the fifth bedroom, a study area and another bathroom. The accommodation already included a separate dining room, utility room and an ensuite to the master bedroom.

Neath Hill £199,995

An extended three bedroom property offered for sale in fantastic condition. The property has been extended to the front to increase the size of the entrance hall and give a utility/downstairs cloakroom. The current owners have undergone an extensive program of refurbishment to include the refitting of the kitchen, bathroom and ensuite shower room and the installation of PVCu double glazing. The back garden has been landscaped and a viewing is highly recommended on this property.

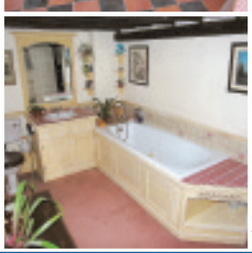
Emerson Valley £425,000

A four bedroom detached property set on a plot of 0.22 acre with a "green" to the front and Linear Park to the rear. It is situated in a cul-de-sac of similar individually built detached properties. The current owners have lived here since 2001 and in that time have refitted the kitchen, the bathroom and refitted and enlarged the ensuite. A gravelled driveway approached via timber gates provides parking for numerous vehicles and leads to a double garage and there is a large rear garden.



Broughton £650,000

A five bedroom detached property offered for sale in fantastic condition and situated in Broughton Village with a large open area to the front. The property has 4 reception rooms and 3 ensuite shower rooms and a large kitchen/breakfast room that overlooks the private garden to the rear. The master bedroom also has a dressing area and all bedrooms have fitted wardrobes.



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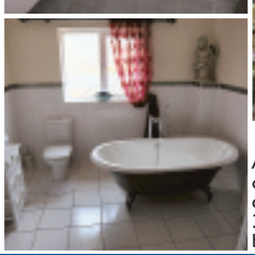

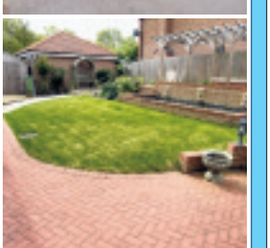

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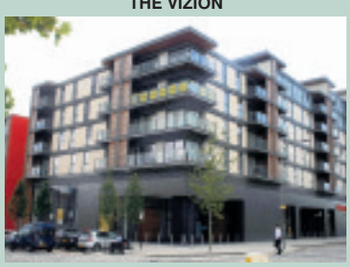

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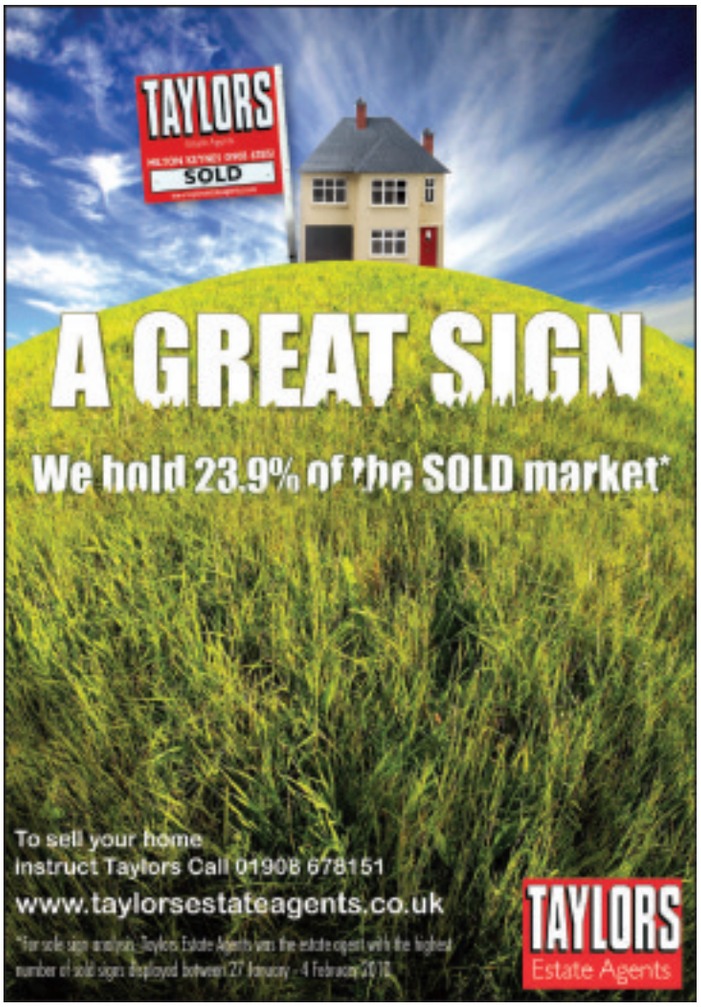

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Closing date: 28 May 2010.

For an application form, email: jobs@milton-keynes.gov.uk or call us on 01908 253344 or 253462 (24 hour answerphone). If you have a hearing impairment and have access to Minicom please phone 01908 252727 (office hours only). Please quote appropriate reference. Salaries will normally start at the first point of the grade. We are unable to accept CVs, unless accompanied by a completed application form.

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Closing date: Monday 24th May 2010.
Interview date: W/C Monday 7th June 2010.

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Closing date for receipt of completed applications is 24th May

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Details and an application form can be found on the 'Join' section of our website www.standrewsschoolbedford.com. Alternatively please contact Sheila Heaney, PA to Headmaster, on 01234 267272 or sheaney@standrewsschoolbedford.com.

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MPS + 1 SEN (0.4)
An innovative practitioner is sought to deliver Music to Key Stage 3 & 4 pupils in this Outstanding Specialist School. This is a 0.4 permanent post.

Interviews will be held on Wednesday 26th May 2010.

Grange Specialist School practices Safer Recruitment therefore these posts are subject to enhanced Criminal Records Bureau Clearance and references. Please telephone the school for an application pack, CVs cannot be accepted. Visits to the school are welcomed.
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We welcome visits to the school
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Psychology Teacher

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This school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff to share this commitment.

If you would like to join our team, please download an application pack at www.waltonhigh.org.uk

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Alternatively contact us on 01908 558765 (24 hours).

Closing date for applications: midday on Friday 21 May 2010

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Closing date: Wednesday19th May 2010
Interviews: Tuesday 25th May 2010

Visits are war ly welco ed and encouraged.
Please contact Eileen Hoare to arrange an appoint ent on 01234 303400.
Application packs are available preferably fro the school website
www.putnoelower.ik.org. or contact Putnoe Lower School on 01234 303400.

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Closing Date: Friday 21st May 2010

Interview Date: Currently planned for 26th May 2010

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Require A

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For an application pack please contact: Ann Harris on 01234 333870 or email admin@standrewscarehomes.co.uk

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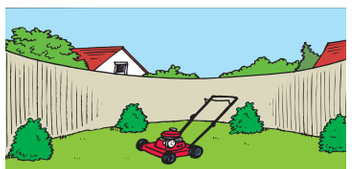

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Complaint SC/09/17
Alderman Hilary Saunders
Finding of no breach of the Code of Conduct

Under section 17(1) (a) Standards Committee (England) Regulations 2008 the Standards Committee (Consideration Sub Committee) of Milton Keynes Council meeting on 9th April 2010 have found that there has been no failure of Alderman Hilary Saunders to comply with the Wolverton and Greenleys Town Council Code of Conduct in respect of complaint SC/09/17.

The complaint concerns the actions of Alderman Hilary Saunders, Chair of Wolverton and Greenleys Town Council. The allegation made was that Alderman Saunders had failed to declare a prejudicial interest at the Projects Committee Meeting on 8th July and 15th July with regard to a grant application made by the school she worked for.

The Standards' Committee Consideration Sub-Committee agreed with the findings in the Investigating Officer's report that a reasonable person, in the knowledge of the facts would conclude on the balance of probabilities that involvement by Alderman Saunders with the Grant money for her employer could not be perceived as having a prejudicial interest. Alderman Saunders was forthright and open with the Projects Committee and informed them that she was employed by the School. There was no deliberate intent by Alderman Saunders to influence discussions on the Grant request by Raddlffe School. The Grant Application was agreed unanimously by all Councillors in attendance at that committee.

Alderman Saunders did not have a prejudicial interest in respect of Item PC09/41 on the 8th July and of Item PC09/52 on 15th July and it **is therefore concluded that Alderman Saunders did not breach paragraph 12(1)(a), 12(1)(b) or 12(1)(c) of the Code of Conduct.**

It was found that the failure to declare relevant interests did not arise from a desire to improperly confer advantage with respect to the employment nor secure disadvantage for the Council. The evidence indicates that Cllr Saunders was not aware of any requirement for her to declare a prejudicial interest therefore no breach of the Code could be found in respect of paragraph 6, using your position as a member improperly to confer on or secure for yourself or any other person, an advantage or disadvantage.

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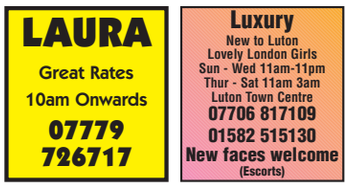

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August

08	Hartlepool	(H)	0-0
11	Swindon (CC)	(H)	1-4
15	Swindon	(A)	0-0
18	Tranmere	(A)	1-0
22	Colchester	(H)	2-1
29	Exeter	(A)	2-1

September

02	Dagenham & Redbridge (JPT)	(H)	3-1
05	Huddersfield	(H)	2-3
14	Norwich	(H)	2-1
19	Wycombe	(A)	1-0
26	Leeds	(H)	0-1
29	Oldham	(A)	1-2

October

03	Brighton	(A)	1-0
06	Southend (JPT)	(H)	2-0
10	Walsall	(H)	1-0
17	Gillingham	(H)	2-0
24	Southampton	(A)	1-3
31	Bristol Rovers	(H)	2-1

November

07	Macclesfield (FA Cup)	(H)	1-0
10	Northampton (JPT)	(H)	3-1
14	Charlton	(A)	1-5
20	Southend	(A)	1-2
24	Carlisle	(H)	3-4
28	Exeter (FA Cup)	(H)	4-3

December

01	Millwall	(A)	2-3
05	Yeovil	(H)	2-2
12	Leyton Orient	(A)	2-1
15	Hereford (JPT)	(A)	4-1
19	Brentford	(H)	0-1
26	Stockport	(H)	4-1
28	Huddersfield	(A)	0-1

January

02	Burnley (FA Cup)	(H)	1-2
16	Hartlepool	(A)	5-0
20	Soton (JPT)	(H)	0-1
23	Tranmere	(H)	1-0
26	Colchester	(A)	0-2
30	Exeter	(H)	1-1

February

06	Stockport	(A)	3-1
09	Soton (JPT)	(A)	1-3
13	Carlisle	(A)	0-5
20	Southend	(H)	3-1
23	Millwall	(H)	1-3
27	Yeovil	(A)	0-1

March

06	Leyton Orient	(H)	1-0
09	Swindon T	(H)	2-1
13	Brentford	(A)	3-3
20	Southampton	(H)	0-3
27	Gillingham	(A)	2-2

April

03	Charlton	(H)	0-1
05	Bristol Rovers	(A)	0-1
10	Norwich	(A)	1-1
13	Oldham	(H)	0-0
17	Wycombe	(H)	2-3
24	Leeds	(A)	1-4

May

01	Brighton	(H)	0-0
08	Walsall	(A)	1-2

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Final day defeat at Walsall sums up a disappointing season

Slack defending late on proves costly for Dons

WALSALL 2
Richards 46, Smith 85

MK DONS 1
Powell 25

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THE 2009/10 season ended in defeat for MK Dons leaving them to finish in 12th in the League One table.

Skipper Dean Lewington said the final day loss at Walsall summed up their season – good in parts but slack defending late on proved costly.

Striker Daniel Powell, whose time on loan with non-league Forest Green Rovers has not damaged his appetite to run at defenders with the ball, put the Dons ahead at the Banks's Stadium when he turned Jermaine Easter's parried shot from six-yards out.

But Matt Richards, the stand out player on the day, found the space out side the Dons' box to reply with less than two minutes on the clock in the second half, and the hammer blow came five minutes from time when Manny Smith bundled home Dave Jones' terrific cross.

It was a result that left Dons without an unwanted record of 11 games without a win and in the last spot of the top half of the table.

Jermaine Easter prepares to fire off a shot on Saturday

Despite a disappointing season Lewington believes there is plenty to look forward to in the next campaign - especially since the news that Karl Robinson will be at the helm.

He said: "We've dropped a position which is disappointing - that was our season in one game really.

"The lads are just pleased to get the season out the way and there's enough positives to be optimistic about next season."

The players were introduced to John Gorman and he trained with the squad ahead of the match.

Lewington told MK NEWS the players are thrilled with the appointment, he said: "Everyone's pleased and we're right behind Karl.

There's a real optimism about the place, for the first time in a while, all of a sudden things look a lot healthier and we're pleased to have some continuity because we've been missing that for the last six years.

"It's the good cop bad cop scenario. Karl's a young guy and I'm sure he'll make mistakes while John has been there, seen it, done it and hopefully he can guide him and help him through.

"Karl's had a fantastic grounding at Liverpool - they don't just have any Tom, Dick or Harry coaching because they're a great football club. He's been here a couple of years now and at Blackburn so I don't think his age is a problem. We know what he's like as a character and what he brings to the club - I think that's exciting for everyone."

New dawn for the three amigos

FROM BACK PAGE

Robinson, who spent eight years working in the Liverpool Academy, told MK NEWS about the discussions, he said: "I wanted to look them all in the eyes and ask the are they hungry for this football club.

"Do they want to play for this football club? And if so, then the right players will play for a manager who wants this club to succeed. I will give everything that I've got to this. I'm not going to let this opportunity pass me by just like the players should never let their opportunity of playing for this club pass them by.

"I want to get us promoted this year I wont hide that - we've massively underachieved this year."

Having worked with Paul Ince, who resigned after returning to stadiummk for a year, at the Dons and Blackburn Rovers Robinson understands it will be difficult to shake off his association with the former England captain.

However, the Liverpudlian insist there will be changes next season, starting with the style of play.

"There will be a difference, I'm a different person I'm not Paul Ince," Robinson added, "I'm starting out on the managerial path, which I can't wait for, but that means I do things in a completely different way.

"I've got to make sure we start the season on a positive note and we challenge for what we want - that is getting out of this league.

"I want to improve set pieces for and against, play with more of a passing style, play through midfield, get the ball wide and do all the nice things but also have that ruggedness where we don't get bullied.

"I really want to get a nice style of football that the fans enjoy so they come here in their thousands."

And to help him achieve that Robinson drafted in former Wycombe Wanderers and Northampton Town boss Gorman, just as MK NEWS revealed two weeks ago.

The 60-year-old, who worked as assistant to Glenn Hoddle during his years as England boss, will provide Robinson with an experienced head in the camp.

The Dons boss added: "He's a good man, his heart is in the right place and he has an unbelievable wealth of knowledge and passion for the game. I don't want any footballer to take the field without any passion so why should it be any different with my staff?"

And Gorman, out of the game since departing Queens Park Rangers in December as Jim Magilton's right-hand man, has already been won over by the Dons.

Gorman said: "You can't not be impressed - the facilities are very good. It looks like we've got a really good squad, add a couple more players and I think we've got a very good future.

"We've got some players who, to their own admission, have probably underachieved this year.

"Karl's full of enthusiasm I've been very impressed with his organisational skills. We've met every single player as an individual, which even when I was at the highest level sometimes managers didn't do."

Chairman Pete Winkelman, naming his seventh Dons manager in as many years, believes he has made the right decision.

He said: "He (Robinson) hasn't come to me to say we'll achieve ticking over status, would that have got him the job? No. What I want to know is I'm putting as much money on the line as we can and promotion has to be what it's about - he doesn't shirk that responsibility, so maybe that is the youthful enthusiasm and some of the nativity that got me in football in the first place.

"Karl is not an easy or a cheap appointment - I hope we will find it's the right appointment. Yes it's a risk but every manager's a risk.

"I hope that we'll be making some interesting announcements over the coming weeks that will show where the team is trying to go and what we're trying to do."

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LEAGUE ONE FINAL TABLE

		P	HOME W	D	L	F	A	AWAY W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Norwich	46	17	3	3	48	22	12	5	6	41	25	42	95
2	Leeds United	46	14	6	3	41	19	11	5	7	36	25	33	86
3	Millwall	46	17	5	1	48	15	7	8	8	28	29	32	85
4	Charlton	46	14	6	3	41	22	9	9	5	30	26	23	84
5	Swindon	46	13	8	2	42	25	9	8	6	31	32	16	82
6	Huddersfield	46	14	8	1	52	22	9	3	11	30	34	26	80
7	Southampton	46	15	5	3	48	21	8	9	6	37	26	38	73
8	Colchester	46	15	5	3	37	21	5	7	11	27	31	12	72
9	Brentford	46	9	12	2	34	21	5	8	10	21	31	3	62
10	Walsall	46	10	8	5	36	26	6	6	11	24	37	-3	62
11	Bristol Rovers	46	13	3	7	32	30	6	2	15	27	40	-11	62
12	**MK Dons**	**46**	**10**	**5**	**8**	**31**	**28**	**7**	**4**	**12**	**29**	**40**	**-8**	**60**
13	Brighton	46	7	4	12	26	30	8	10	5	30	30	-4	59
14	Carlisle	46	10	4	9	34	28	5	9	9	29	38	-3	58
15	Yeovil	46	9	7	7	36	26	4	7	12	19	33	-4	53
16	Oldham	46	7	7	9	23	28	6	6	11	16	29	-18	52
17	Leyton Orient	46	10	6	7	35	25	3	6	14	18	38	-10	51
18	Exeter	46	9	10	4	30	20	2	8	13	18	40	-12	51
19	Tranmere	46	11	3	9	30	32	3	6	14	15	40	-27	51
20	Hartlepool	46	10	6	7	33	26	4	5	14	26	41	-8	50
21	Gillingham	46	12	8	3	35	15	0	6	17	13	49	-16	50
22	Wycombe	46	6	7	10	26	31	4	8	11	30	45	-20	45
23	Southend	46	7	10	6	29	27	3	3	17	22	45	-21	43
24	Stockport	46	2	6	15	21	51	3	4	16	14	44	-60	25

VIDEO

See a video of Karl Robinson being interviewed by Simone Corgan on www.mk-news.co.uk

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Macaulay to quit as coach

BASKETBALL

VINCE Macaulay is stepping down from his role as head coach at MK Lions to concentrate on off court matters.

He has spent three years managing the team since the departure of Tom Hancock in 2007, however the plan was for it to be a short-term solution.

But now the Lions, who have booked thecentre:mk for the 2010/11 campaign, are settled in a new home Macaulay believes he is able to continue his work as owner rather than coach.

His first job is to recruit his replacement something he hopes to do in the next two weeks.

Macaulay is currently mulling over a short list of three although the favourite for the job is Lions player, and assistant coach, Mike New.

New, 42, retired at the end of the season and has already helped the academy to success in the national championships and the college cup.

Speaking exclusively to MK NEWS Macaulay said: "It's just been so difficult and time consuming that we now need to restructure properly because we know where we are and what we're doing. I wouldn't have stepped down if we didn't know where we were playing but because we are I want to push the club forward, we have to be the most unique basketball club in the world let alone the country.

"We have a very strong internal candidate in Mike New who is in the frame for the job.

"Mike's got a head start on anyone else for the job because he knows our system and works with the academy programme. He knows what we're trying to do and what we're trying to achieve. He's been here six years now in his second stint so he's in a great position for the job."

Despite no experience of coaching at British Basketball level Macaulay believes New, who has been his go-to-man for the past three years, will succeed.

He said: "It's a natural progression for him for some players coaching isn't an option but I think for Mike it's definitely an option."

Webber leads in procession

MOTOR RACING

Testing, testing one two, one two – Vettel edged out after Red Bulls dominate practice

MARK Webber went from pole to the podium in a faultless drive at the Spanish Grand Prix.

The Red Bull driver was the first this season to start at the front of the grid and not slip up during the race.

It took Webber 130 races to earn his maiden win and in just 10 months on he has trebled his record.

And the Aussie described the race around the Circuit de Catalunya track as the longest of his career.

Webber, who pipped local star Fernando Alonso to first place, said: "I'm very happy to capitalise on the pole position. It's an aggressive run in to turn one and I knew the guys would be arriving in the braking zone, so I needed to be very precise with everything into there.

"It felt like the longest Grand Prix I've ever done though!."

The Red Bull pair had dominated the weekend of testing, and qualified in the top two spots.

However, Sebastian Vettel was unable to make that count as he was out-raced by Lewis Hamilton, who lcrashed out in the penultimate lap.

Vettel, who finished third in the race, said afterwards: "A lot of things didn't go my way today. I was not quick enough. The car's fast Mark was in his own league today, but for some reason I found it difficult."

Sebastian Vettel sprays winner Mark Webber after the Barcelona Grand Prix

Olney come from behind to lift Bucks Cup

RUGBY

OLNEY were crowned Bucks Cup champions with an impressive 34-19 victory over High Wycombe.

A large support backed Olney, who had never won the Cup before, against a High Wycombe side who had competed in the last six finals of the competition.

Olney had to come from behind as they trailed 3-12, one penalty to four, early on and were reduced to 14 men after back row Ian Bennett received a yellow card.

Olney were able to apply the pressure as the backs enjoyed running rugby and Chris Small used his strength to break through tackles in the 22 meters to score the first try of the afternoon, which James Hawken converted to make the score 10-12.

And with a matter of minutes remaining in the first half Small made another break before Jack Sutton picked up the ball and found scrum half Dave Terry who bagged their second try.

When Hawken converted he post Olney ahead on 17-12 on the stroke of half-time.

Following the interval the visitors were quick to get back into the game with a converted try nudging them two points in front but three Hawken penalties allowed Olney to regain their lead and extend the advantage to 26-19.

With both teams playing frantic rugby Hawken showed a calm head when he used a penalty to kick for territory which resulted in a line-out in High Wycombe's 22.

Quick hands from Richard James saw the ball pass through the hands of Dave Smith, Hawken and Mike Durose who ran out wide to take the score to 31-19.

The final score of the afternoon went to Olney's star man Hawken – his fifth successful penalty allowed the home side to get their hands on silverware.

CRICKET

JUST weeks into the season the weather has already whitewashed most of the cricket matches this weekend.

Only a handful of fixtures survived the rain on Saturday and Sunday.

MORRANTS FOUR COUNTIES

Division One

NEW Bradwell profited from the weekend's washout as they jumped to the top of the table at the expense of North Crawley.

Their star batsman Temoor Alam hit an unbeaten 118 as they totalled an impressive 233-5 in just 35 overs.

Biddenham struggled in their reply largely to the fierce attack of Shaz Mohammed (3-18) and Nadeem Aftab (3-32) who also took a superb catch to dismiss Asim Hussien.

It meant Biddenham were dismissed for 100 leaving New Bradwell with a comprehensive 133 run victory.

Newport Pagnell continued to struggle in the new season as the search for their first win continues.

It was Newport who went into bat first but they were torn apart by the fantastic bowling of Howard Sayers (3-7) and Jon Waugh (3-12) saw them all out for a lowly 66.

The reply was not as easy as Cublington would have hoped as James Fletcher claimed 4-16, but they reached 70-6 to win the game by four wickets.

Aspley Guise vs Studham, Elstow vs Eaton Bray, North Crawley vs Milton Keynes all fell victim to the weather and each team picked up ten points.

Division Two

Buckland & Aston Clinton vs Milton Keynes, Caddington vs Olney Town, Old Bradwell vs New City (Milton Keynes), Shenley Church End vs Milton Bryan and Stewkley Vicarage vs Cranfield University – all postponed.

Division Three

Drayton Parslow vs Cublington, Eggington Foresters vs North Crawley, Milton Keynes City vs Wilden, Stoke Hammond vs New Bradwell and Willen vs Open University were all postponed.

MKSPORTSSHORTS

Sofa no good

TV presenter Fern Britton is urging people in Milton Keynes to reconnect with sport.

A new campaign from Reactivate Bucks, Give it a go!, will sweep through MK from May 17-23 encouraging local people to get off the sofa and get moving by choosing from different activities ranging from street dance to gentle walks.

Fern, who is currently preparing for her fifth cycle challenge for Women for Women, said:"If you enjoy something it makes it so much easier. Reactivate Bucks is a great way of helping people get fit, feel healthier and have fun."

Activities across the county range from folk and ballroom dancing to climbing and martial arts, as well as hockey, swimming, badminton, cricket, disability sports, street dance, aerobics and gentle walks.

For more information go to www.reactivatebucks.org or call the Reactivate Bucks Team on 01296 585215.

Green security

STONY Stratford's bowls community has been boosted by further improvements to their facilities. A new boundary and fence were official unveiled at Stony Stratford Bowling Club by Lorna O'Herlihy of the Milton Keynes Community Foundation.

The gates and arch, bearing the club badge, were made by Ash Engineering, and will provide better security for the green.

Bowls open day

WOLVERTON Town Bowls Club are holding an open day this Saturday.

The club, based along Cambridge Street, are welcoming all ages to the club where free tution will be on hand.

The doors will be open from 2-5pm. For more information contact Joe Swain on 01908 562952.

Ghana squad

GHANA coach Milovan Rajevac has announced his provisional 30-man World Cup squad.

The players will gather in Paris on May, 24 for their pre-World Cup camp, play Holland in a friendly on June 1 and head to Milton Keynes for their friendly with Latvia in their final game at the stadiummk on June, 5.

The Ghana Squad:

Goalkeepers: Richard Kingston (Wigan Athletic), Daniel Adjei, Stephen Ahorlu, Stephen Adams.

Defenders: Samuel Inkoom, Hans Sarpei, Lee Addy, John Mensah (Sunderland), Rahim Ayew, Isaac Vorsah, John Paintsil (Fulham), Jonathan Mensah, Eric Addo.

Midfielders: Dede Ayew, Michael Essien (Chelsea) Kojo Asamoah, Agyemang Badu, Stephen Appiah, Anthony Annan, Haminu Dramani, Sulley Muntari, Quincy Owusu-Abeyie, Derek Boateng, Bernard Kumordzie, Laryea Kingston, Kevin-Prince Boateng (Portsmouth).

Strikers: Prince Tagoe, Asamoah Gyan, Dominic Adiyiah, Matthew Amoah.

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We're in charge

● No1 – Karl Robinson ● No2 – John Gorman ● Coach – Alex Rae

NEW MK Dons boss Karl Robinson wants to make history with the club and promotion to the Championship is his number one ambition.

In his first managerial job at the age of 29, which makes him the youngest in the Football League, Robinson (pictured centre) expects to turn a team of underachievers to promotion contenders.

On Monday, after making the switch from assistant to manager on a 12-month rolling contract, Robinson sat down with his newly appointed number two, John Gorman, and first team coach, Alex Rae, and met with each player to talk about the upcoming season.

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